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APD takes on drug plague

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ARCATA – In a model effort to help combat Humboldt’s often fatal opiate scourge, the Arcata Police Department is about to equip its officers with a life-saving nasal spray that reportedly can reverse an overdose in minutes.

APD will be the first law enforcement agency in the county to deploy Naloxone, also known as Narcan.

Local health care agencies say the antidote has proved safe and can prevent deaths amid the county’s tragically high rates of opiate overdose hospitalizations and fatalities.

Recent statewide data confirm that Humboldt ranks first among the state’s 58 counties for opiate overdose hospitalizations and fourth for opiate overdose deaths.

The county’s suicide rate, which claimed a record 43 lives in 2015, is more than four

times the state average. It is expected to go on climbing because of what the coroner’s office calls Humboldt’s “horrible, horrible drug and alcohol problem” (*Union*, May 6).

The county’s Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS) has documented that from 2011 to 2015, fully 20 percent (36) of Humboldt’s unintentional overdoses involved opiates.

The data are not broken down by opiate
NARCAN ❖ A2

Designer drugs target kids, teens

The increased potency of these compounds is terrifying.

Sullivan K. Smith, M.D.,
Emergency Room expert

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ARCATA – Synthetic designer drugs are aggressively marketed to lure the unsuspecting young and disarm unsuspecting parents.

They cause dangerously high blood pressure, soaring heart rates and climbing body temperatures that often kill. Major organ failure and vulnerability to vicious diseases result from their use.

Also known as New Psychoactive Substances (NPS) and falsely advertised as providing “legal highs,” deadly designer drugs bear intriguing brand names. There are literally hundreds of catch tags to beguile grade schoolers and teenagers. Health and law enforcement officials say parents should be ever alert and vigilant.

The Humboldt County Sheriff’s office reports that K2 and Spice brands are popular locally. Other monikers include Armageddon, Black Mamba, Blue Magic, California Dreams, Diablo, Diesel X, Killer Buzz, King Cobra, Mango Kush, Scooby Snax, SeñorLoko, Sexy Monkey, Skull Killa and Twilight.

Synthetic drugs, including synthetic marijuana, are sold in packages adorned with logos, bright colors and patterns drawn from cartoons and pop-

DESIGNER DRUGS ❖ A2



ROTARACT RUN The second annual Run for a Cause was held Saturday in Blue Lake and featured “color stations,” where participants ran through a kaleidoscope of colors. Above, members of the Arcata High Interact Club show how it’s done. The race, sponsored by North Bay Rotaract, is a benefit for CASA, Boys & Girls Club of the Redwoods, Special Olympics and Food for People.

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Trinidad extends moratorium on vacation rentals

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TRINIDAD – Trinidad has put the brakes on the vacation rental industry for another year.

The Trinidad City Council voted unanimously Wednesday, June 9 to extend an urgency moratorium on new licenses for residential houses rented out for less than 30 days, called Vacation Dwelling Units (VDUs).

The extended moratorium will last one year, from June 29, 2016 to June 28, 2017. New applications for rental licenses will not be accepted, but existing VDUs are able to renew licenses.

The moratorium was enacted by the city council in June 2015, in response to a perceived rush on applications for VDU permits.

At the time, the council declared that the growth of the rental industry in Trinidad was a “current and immediate threat to public welfare,” and enacted a moratorium to give the city time to revise its VDU ordinance to include a cap on the number of VDUs allowed in the city’s residential zones.

The city council first passed a moratorium on rental permits in November 2009, in response to an increase in vacation rental business in city neighborhoods. The city worked for five years and passed an ordinance regulating VDUs in March 2015.

Trinidad has been polarized by the issue. Some residents blame rentals for causing traffic and congested parking, loud parties, and emptying the town’s neighborhoods, while rental owners defend VDUs as vital to the tourist industry, and contend that Trinidad has long been a vacation town with various forms of hotels and tourist accommodations.

Former planning commissioner Kathleen Lake said she has lived next to a vacation rental for the past 10 years.

“We have suffered for a long time,” Lake said.

Lake was opposed to a 15 percent cap on rentals in the city urban residential zones, calling the proposal outrageous in a small community like Trinidad.

Jonna Kitchen, co-owner of property

management company Trinidad Retreats, said she opposes the council extending the moratorium and said that vacation rentals are a boon as opposed to a threat to the community.

“I think VDUs enhance Trinidad’s welfare by providing a revenue stream which helps fund city management, safety services as well as support local businesses,” Kitchen said.

Trinidad has 220 houses, 30 of which are currently vacation rentals. A proposed 15 percent cap would limit rentals to the current 30 units. Trinidad’s Transient Lodging Tax, a tax on rentals, hotels and bed and breakfasts is one of the city’s main revenue sources, and brings in about \$100,000 each year.

An attorney for a group of Trinidad vacation rental owners, Walter McNeill of McNeill Law Offices, accused the council of violating California state law by passing the extension. McNeill claimed that the moratorium violates restrictions on urgency ordinances under California Government Code 65858, which prohibits enacting the same urgency ordinance twice in a row.

“I’m convinced what you’re doing in your moratorium is a repeat of what was done in 2009 ... you shouldn’t be extending this ordinance,” McNeill said.

Trinidad’s City Attorney disagreed, and said the current moratorium was enacted to give the council time to fix problems with the VDU ordinance, while the 2009 moratorium was enacted because the city did not have an ordinance regulating VDUs.

The city council’s proposed changes to the VDU ordinance include a cap on the number of vacation rental units allowed in the city, either at a percent of housing or at a set number. Changes to the ordinance will also include restrictions on transferring rental licenses when property changes hands, and buffer areas between rentals in urban residential zones.

Mayor Dwight Miller said he expects to hear final advice on the VDU ordinance from the Trinidad Planning Commission in July, at which point the council will send a draft of the revised ordinance to the California Coastal Commission for approval.

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Narcan | Saving people from overdoses

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type, the department says, but Narcan is effective only against opiate overdoses, including heroin, and has no effect on non-opiate users.

The Sheriff's Office has warned repeatedly that the county is experiencing a prolonged heroin epidemic that shows no sign of abating. Drugs of all kinds are said to be readily available in area schools, including so-called "designer" synthetic drugs, specifically designed to lure young people.

APD Lieutenant and Support Services Commander Ryan Peterson agreed in an interview last week that heroin "is high on the list" of the opiate culprits that his fellow officers encounter in their rounds.

Peterson said officers are scheduled to be provided in about a week or so with the nasal spray, which is deployed in small, one-time-use plastic dispensers stored in boxes in patrol vehicles.

Officers have been trained by the county's Public Health agency on how to identify an opiate overdose and administer the spray, which the body absorbs quickly.

The DHHS provides the Narcan, which is among the initiatives of Rx Safe Humboldt to stem the county's tenacious drug problem. Rx Safe Humboldt is an inter-agency team comprising the DHHS, law enforcement, the Humboldt Independent Practice Association, hos-

pitals and health care providers among others.

According to DHHS data obtained by the *Union*, fully 50 percent of the county's drug-related causes of death, from 2011 through 2015, were attributable to unintentional overdoses. Nearly 80 percent took place before the age of 60 and 96 percent before the age of 70.

The age range was 16 to 92 years and the median age was 52 to 53 for women, 51 for men.

Fully 50 percent of the unintentional overdoses involved multi-drug toxicity – what the coroner's office calls "poly-drugging" – that is, deaths involving two or three, even four or five drugs combined.

Opiates and opioids (prescription painkillers available on the black market) accounted for close to 30 percent. Meth-related overdose fatalities soared from 20 percent in 2011 to 45 percent in 2015.

"The overuse of prescription painkillers (opioids) is a significant and growing public health problem," warns the California Health Care Foundation. "Nationwide, opioid-related deaths increased by 900 percent between 1970 and 2007, and rates in certain California regions are among the highest in the country."

Humboldt County is an integral part of the national trend, which was thrown into high relief by the recent overdose death of Prince.

A profile of the county's rampant drug poisoning, based in part on data supplied by the

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, indicates that since at least 2002, Humboldt's death rate is almost three times the national rate: 32 per 100,000 versus 12 per 100,000. Notably, Humboldt's drug poisoning crisis set in years before the national spikes, suggesting the county's prime menace is fixed and deep-seated.

The composite Humboldt profile, drawn up by the Monterey treatment center Elevate Addiction Services, says the spike in drug poisoning rates is largely attributable to increased addictions to prescription painkillers (opioids) and the opiate heroin: "Two types of drug substances that have proven particularly addictive and highly difficult to successfully recover from. This is particularly true in Humboldt County, where many residents are addicted to opiate and opioid drugs like heroin, oxycodone, hydrocodone and hydromorphone."

Echoing the coroner's office, the treatment center warns that the most common cause of overdose deaths in Humboldt County is multi-drug toxicity. "Five years ago, a series of reports from various agencies indicated that the average Humboldt County resident, which includes infants, adolescents, adults, seniors and even individuals in comas, is consuming the equivalent of 14 Vicodin pills each and every day.

"Considering the obvious fact that not every resident is consuming these drug substances, one can rapidly see the volume that county drug users are consuming."

GOLD RIBBON SCHOOLS Pacific Union Elementary and Alice Birney School have been selected as 2016 California Gold Ribbon Schools by the California Department of Education. The California Gold Ribbon Schools Award was created to honor schools in place of the California Distinguished Schools Program, which is on hiatus while California creates new assessment and accountability systems. The Gold Ribbon Awards recognize California schools that have made gains in implementing the academic content and performance standards adopted by the State Board of Education. These include the California Standards for English Language Arts and Mathematics, California English Language Development Standards and Next Generation Science Standards. This year, eligible elementary schools were invited to participate. An awards ceremony honoring Gold Ribbon School recipients was held June 1 in Sacramento. cde.ca.gov/ta/sr/gr/

Designer drugs | ‘Extraordinarily dangerous’

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ular culture, expressly aimed at the youth market. To entice consumption, designer drugs are promoted as "blueberry," "bubblegum," "mango" and "strawberry." Wrapped to look innocuous, they are an invitation to lethal overdoses, experts say.

Both locally and nationally, designer synthetics are retailed at the head shops, convenience stores and mini-marts favored by teens who seek affordable highs. They are also readily available on the internet, at gas stations and at liquor stores, authorities say.

Synthetic drugs are designed to mimic cannabinoids (the active constituents of cannabis), cathinones (bath salts and glass cleaner) and hallucinogens named phenethylamines. The first two are the most commonly abused, according to the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy. They

have no known medical use or purpose. Illicit processor chemists in Mexico and China produce them to induce drug-like stimulant effects.

Synthetics consist of plant material laced with mind-altering designer chemicals, which are formulated in constantly changing mixtures that are hard to detect and analyze, but marketed as a safe smoking alternative to marijuana. In fact, they can cause hallucinations, seizures and psychosis. They are potentially life threatening and users, many of them young and naïve, do not know what is in them.

Sullivan K. Smith, M.D., testifying last week on behalf of the American College of Emergency Physicians, told the congressional Senate Judiciary Committee that the compounds in synthetic cannabinoids and cathinones (bath salts) "are largely or completely

unknown in terms of both scientific data and human experience."

They are expressly altered to intensify "highs" of longer duration. The number of compounds known to be available in the U.S. – California is especially hard hit because of its border with Mexico – exceeds 400. "New compounds are appearing at times weekly," he testified. "It is not uncommon for product(s) in identical packaging to vary in actual chemical content and amount from batch to batch and purchase to purchase."

Tragically, these baffling and inscrutable drugs may contain various adulterants, which sometimes are pharmacologically active and toxic in their own right. Users are taking a plunge into the unknown and, quite possibly, the grave. In Smith's words, "The effects of these identically packaged products may vary considerably while remaining extraordinarily dangerous."

As if faux marijuana products were not bad enough, the wide availability of synthetic bath

salts and glass cleaner is a metastasizing threat. They produce effects similar to amphetamines, cocaine and methamphetamines. They are used as a substitute for MDMA, nicknamed "Molly," an illegal drug. It acts as both a stimulant and psychedelic, producing an energizing effect as well as distorted perceptions.

Molly is taken orally, usually in a tablet or capsule, and its effects last approximately three to six hours, according to the National Institute on Drug Abuse. Other retail names are Molly's Plant Food, Ultra Molly, Kamikaze, Skarface, Space Dust and XTC.

Synthetic bath salts are smoked, snorted or swallowed in crystal or powder forms, but they are absorbed most commonly by intravenous injections that risk hepatitis, endocarditis and HIV/AIDS. Side effects can include heart attacks, kidney and liver failure, paranoia, panic attacks and hyperthermia (bodily overheating).

Vaping these compounds is a new and growing method of consumption, according to Smith of the Ameri-

can College of Emergency Physicians.

Chuck Rosenberg, acting administrator of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration told the Senate Judiciary Committee on June 7, "These compounds pose a great danger to the public, especially children and teenagers, because they are falsely perceived as 'legal' alternatives to the illicit drugs they intend to mimic and because of their unpredictable health impacts."

Humboldt County is infested with opiates (heroin, opium, morphine and codeine) and with opioids, the broader category that encompasses synthetic drugs that produce opiate-like, painkilling effects. Among the latter are Demerol, Oxycodone, Methadone, Percodan, Percoset and Fentanyl, which has been detected in Humboldt. It is used increasingly to cut heroin.

"Many individuals who use heroin were introduced to opiates via prescription drugs, which are very often an individual's first introduction to opiates," according to Humboldt County Public Health Director Susan Buckley, RN, MPH.

"We have clear data from death certificates about the causes of death. The majority of them are multi-drug toxicities, both opiates and opioids."

A 21-year-old Eureka man, Ian Canning, died May 26 from heart failure likely brought about by the abuse of prescription drugs combined with alcohol, according to his obituary published in last week's *Union*.

Similar to Humboldt's heroin (opiate) epidemic, which began to emerge in the mid-1990s, "it is no secret that a terrible opioid epidemic is sweeping the nation" now, Smith testified last week. "These drugs cause euphoria and sedation, but also vomiting, respiratory insufficiency and failure, low blood pressure and all too often – death. The mechanism of death is usually respiratory depression and failure. The increased potency of these compounds is terrifying."

The Humboldt County Drug Task Force, the Sheriff's Office and the U.S. Marshals Office confiscated a bevy of drugs June 9 at a motel in Garberville. The operation demonstrated again that the county is a herald of the nation's expanding and mutating drug menace.

The seizure netted heroin, cocaine, methamphetamine, psilocybin mushrooms, concentrated cannabis, 28 pounds of processed marijuana buds and various quantities in pill form of Hydrocodone, Oxycodone, Diazepam pills, Alprazolam, Ecstasy and a butane honey oil lab.

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PUBLIC MEETINGS			
GOVERNING BODY	NEXT MEETING	MEETING LOCATION	MORE INFORMATION
Arcata City Council Meets first & third Wednesday	today, June 15 at 6 p.m.	Council Chamber, Arcata City Hall 736 F St., Arcata	cityofarcata.org
Blue Lake City Council Meets second & fourth Tuesday	Tuesday, June 28 at 7 p.m.	Skinner Store Building behind City Hall	bluelake.ca.gov/city/council/agendas
Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation & Conservation District Meets second & fourth Thursday	Thursday, June 23 at 7 p.m.	Woodley Island Marina Meeting Room	humboldt-bay.org/meetings-agendas-and-public-notice
Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District (HBMWD) Meets second Thursday	Thursday, July 14 at 9 a.m.	Boardroom, Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District, 828 Seventh St., Eureka	hbmwd.com/meeting-schedule
Humboldt County Board of Supervisors Meets every Tuesday	Tuesday, June 21 at 9 a.m.	Board Chambers, Humboldt Co. Courthouse, 825 Fifth St., Eureka	humboldt.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx
Manila Community Services District (Manila CSD) Meets third Thursday	Thursday, June 16 at 6:30 p.m.	Room I, Manila Community Center, 1611 Peninsula Dr., Manila	manilacsd.com/Agendas_Minutes_and_Forms.htm
McKinleyville Community Services District (MCS D) Meets first Wednesday	Wednesday, July 6 at 7 p.m.	Azalea Hall, 1620 Pickett Rd., McKinleyville	mckinleyvillecsd.com
McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee (McKMAC) Meets last Wednesday	Wednesday, June 29 at 6 p.m.	Azalea Hall, 1620 Pickett Rd., McKinleyville	humboldt.gov.org/238/McKinleyville-Municipal-Advisory-Committ
Trinidad City Council Meets second Wednesday	Wednesday, July 13 at 6 p.m.	Trinidad Town Hall, 409 Trinity St., Trinidad	trinidad.ca.gov/city-government/city-council.html

❖ MCKINLEYVILLE

Director feels dissed; appointment delayed

Jack Durham
MAD RIVER UNION

MCKINLEYVILLE – The appointment of a volunteer to the McKinleyville Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee has been put on hold due to accusations of disrespectful behavior stemming from an incident more than two years ago in which elected officials were asked to leave a community organizing meeting.

The McKinleyville Community Services District (MCSD) Board of Directors was scheduled to consider the appointment of McKinleyville resident John Calkins to the advisory committee at its June 1 meeting, but that action was delayed to July 6 at the request of Director Dennis Mayo.



Dennis Mayo

The committee, which advises the board on parks and recreation-related issues, has three vacancies – one for a student and two for community members. After publicizing the openings, the district received a single letter of interest from Calkins, who has lived in Humboldt County since 1997, and has lived in McKinleyville since 2009.

Calkins, who is retired, has worked with the California Conservation Corps building trails, and regularly volunteers to maintain the MCSD’s Bocce ball courts.

An appointment to the committee would normally be a routine matter, with little discussion by the MCSD board. However, Mayo is upset over an incident about two years ago involving the McKinleyville Organizing Committee (MOC). The organization, led by what is now called True North, partnered with local churches to get community members together to organize and rally in support of projects. The MOC followed the principles of the People Improving Communities through Organizing (PICO), a grassroots community organizing network founded in 1972 by Father John Baumann, a Jesuit priest. The PICO principles prohibit elected officials from participating in certain organizing meetings, which are intended for regular citizens who don’t already have power. Elected officials, however, may be invited to provide information or listen to MOC members.

These PICO principles lead to an awkward situation a couple years ago when Calkins was holding a training to teach participants to do research. MCSD Director Mayo, Director Helen Edwards and then-Director Bill Wennerholm came to the training session. Calkins said he was asked by MOC members to inform the elected officials about the PICO principles, and asked them to leave.

“It wasn’t well received,” Calkins said in an interview last week.

The MOC followed up by sending the board members letters explaining why they couldn’t be at the organizing meetings. The incident resulted in some heated exchanges that witnesses are loath to publicly discuss.

Mayo was unhappy about being ejected from the meeting, and at the June 1 meeting, he asked the board to delay consideration of the appointment to the July 6 meeting. Mayo said he wanted Director Edwards, who was absent, to be able to discuss the appointment because she has concerns.

“Recently, quite a few of us on the board and quite a few in the public were unceremoniously and disrespectfully not allowed to participate in an issue we thought was a community issue,” Mayo told the board, referring to the MOC incident.

“Mr. Calkins was part of that process,” Mayo said.

“It’s been a very disrespectful and painful episode on our community,” Mayo said. “It has divided a lot of us. It has made us upset and has pushed people apart. There was no reason for that.”

Mayo said he is concerned about having “that attitude” on the advisory committee. “That’s not acceptable,” he said.

But President George Wheeler said he saw the issue differently. Before being elected in November 2013, Wheeler was active with the MOC. He said he was well aware of the group’s policy on elected officials and stopped participating in meetings after he was elected.

Wheeler said he did not think it was appropriate to be strategizing with the MOC on issues that would ultimately come before the MCSD board.

Wheeler said he supported appointing Calkins to the committee.

“I know Johnny personally,” he said. “He’s a good man who has never shirked away from a hard job and has volunteered, just like you, just like you Dennis, for many, many projects that benefit the community.” Wheeler mentioned Calkins work on the Hammond Trail, which spurred Mayo to interject that he had donated land for the trail.

During the discussion, Mayo repeatedly mentioned his volunteer contributions to McKinleyville.

“Let’s not make it a competition, who volunteered more,” Wheeler responded.

Calkins, who is no longer participating in MOC meetings, told the board he was fine with the delay.

“I don’t want to have a court hearing here, nor do I want to toot my own horn, but I care about my community. I know how to act appropriately. I acted appropriately,” Calkins said, referring to what happened with the MOC. “I’m not going to talk about that incident, where there was *much* inappropriateness, which I am not going to go into here before the board.”

The board voted 3-1, with Wheeler dissenting and Edwards absent, to postpone consideration of the appointment to the Wednesday, July 6 meeting, which begins at 7 p.m. at Azalea Hall, 1620 Pickett Rd. in McKinleyville.



John Calkins



PONY EXPRESS Above, Larry and Cass Doss driving the wagon with Grand Marshals Bob Wainwright and Cyndi Bainbridge. Right, the crew from Bear River Casino competing in the Chili Cook-Off. From left, Layla Bean, Alisha Thomas, Marcela Sada, Kyla Corder, Ken Dayacamos, Maria Gonzalez and Nancy Burros.

PHOTOS BY HEATHER VIÑA



Lots of winners during Pony Days

McKinleyville’s 48th annual Pony Express Days wrapped up last week with several thousand people in attendance for the parade and festival.

The Chili Cook-Off on Wednesday, June 1 had the diners tasting chili and voting for their favorites in several categories. The Moose Lodge took the award for McKinleyville’s Best Chili in the amateur division. Best Chili Name went to Nor Cal Pet for their Big Dog Chili. Bear River Casino ran away with the rest of the awards: Best Professional Chili, Best Booth and Best Dressed Team.



The festivities continued with the Farm Fest, hosted by A&L Feed on Friday, June 3; the parade and festival on Saturday, June 4 and the gymkhana both Saturday and Sunday.

Awards were given for the best parade entries in seven categories: Best Car to Oliver Perkins, Best Senior Group to the Mad River Honor Guard, Best Youth Group to Boy Scout troop 180 in the Fieldbrook Fire Department fire truck, Best Equestrian to Blue Lake Saddle Club, Best Group to Arcata Elementary After School k-kids, Best Parade Entry to HealthSPORT and Best Float to Miller Farms Nursery.

Landslide victory for Wilson

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HUMBOLDT – In his race for the 3rd District seat on the Board of Supervisors, Mike Wilson won in a landslide June 7, receiving 5,076 votes, or 81.82 percent, compared to his challenger Uri Driscoll, who received 1,084 votes, or 17.47 percent.

In January 2017, Wilson will be sworn in to take over the seat now held by Mark Lovelace, who chose not to seek re-election.

“I’m thankful and humbled by the strong support from the voters of the 3rd District and all those that helped out during the campaign,” Wilson said. “I believe the results were a reflection of the hard work and continual communication with constituents during my tenure as harbor commissioner. Our positive campaign focusing on the issues important to the voters was also a factor. I look forward to working with everyone to face the challenges ahead and make Humboldt County even better.”

❖ HUMBOLDT ELECTION RESULTS

President of the United States, Democrat

✓ Bernie Sanders	13,245	67.18%
Hillary Clinton	6,036	30.61%

President of the United States, Republican

✓ Donald Trump	4,613	70.22%
Ted Cruz	699	10.64%
John Kasich	599	9.12%
Ben Carson	345	5.25%
John Gilmore	47	0.72%

3rd District Supervisor

✓ Mike Wilson	5,076	81.82%
Uri Driscoll	1,084	17.47%

Note: Unofficial election night returns. Voter turnout was 35.90 percent.

Driscoll stated, “While we all knew that this election was decided years ago, I still felt it was important to make sure there were debates and issues brought forward that would not have been in an uncontested race. Democracy requires dialogue. I encourage others to also make their voice heard so our leaders have good choices to work with.”

In the race for Democratic presidential nominee, Humboldt County has the distinction of being the strongest county, percentage-wise, in support of Bernie Sanders. Sanders received 13,245 votes, or 67.18 percent, compared to presumptive nominee Hillary Clinton, who received 6,036 votes, or 30.61 percent.

CLASS OF 1956 Eureka High class of 1956 will hold its 60th reunion from **Thursday, July 21 to Sunday, July 24** in Eureka. Contact Martha Cringle Buss at mbuss@suddenlink.net or (707) 443-3491 or Rich Ames at uluaguy@aol.com or (707) 497-6671 for more information.

CLASS OF 1981 The Eureka High School Class of 1981 will holds its 35th reunion this summer, from **July 29 to July 31**, starting weith an ice breaker at the Red Lion, 1929 Fourth St., Eureka, on Friday, July 29 and the actual reunion at the Eureka Elks Lodge at 445 Herrick Ave. on Saturday, July 30. There will be a golf tournament on Sunday, July 31 at Baywood Golf & Country Club. For times and other information, find Eureka High School Class of '81 on Facebook or call Jo Ana at (707) 834-1012.

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Whether you are interested in real estate as an investment, or are looking for a home, farm, vacation property, or business, every transaction should be fully investigated by someone with experience extensive enough to ensure that both parties receive fair market value. If you are contemplating buying or selling, you'll make the wisest preliminary step by contacting MING TREE REALTY OF MCKINLEYVILLE located at 1629 Central Ave., phone 707-839-1521 or look at property on line at MingTreeRealty.com.

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QUALITY BODY WORKS is the 1st shop to make the GREEN move to water born paint in Humboldt County. Located at 949 W. Del Norte St. in Eureka, phone 707-443-7769 or visit QualityBodyWorks.com, this is one body shop that is almost universally accepted by leading insurance adjusters because of the high standard of work they maintain. People who depend on quality automotive services have made QUALITY BODY WORKS their personal body shop. The quality of their work always comes through and the prices are more than competitive.

Trust your body work to one of the best, QUALITY BODY WORKS. Skip and Dave thank all their customers from the Humboldt County area.



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For dependable towing, call PACIFIC TOWING located at 210 V Street in Eureka, phone 707-443-8482. This well-known firm has a reputation of ability and experience to expertly handle light to medium towing including wheel lift trucks and car carriers for autos, light trucks and RV's. They feature 24-hour service along with courteous, understanding personnel who will professionally handle the job so that you do not have to worry about anything. This firm is insured and meets both local and state requirements. They will go anywhere at any time for your convenience. For emergency, long or short distance tow service, PACIFIC TOWING cannot be beat. Reliable trucks and trained drivers are just some of the reasons why they are so well liked in this area.

In this 2016 Look At Business, we, the writers, commend the owners of this firm for their sincere efforts to serve the people of Humboldt County well. We suggest to our readers that you remember the name PACIFIC TOWING when in need of towing. Keep this phone number 707-443-8482 handy throughout the year.



PET GROOMING

Professional Pet Grooming in McKinleyville!

The place to have your pet groomed professionally is MUDDY PAWS located at 2288 Central Ave. (next to A&L Feed) in McKinleyville, phone 707-840-0798, and follow them on Facebook! This well-known grooming parlor features bathing, expert cutting and styling for all breeds of dogs, for show and comfort. They also do excellent work on ears, nails and glands, and medicated baths are available as needed. NO

tranquilizers are used, and your pet will have a good experience in these gentle, caring hands. Your pet doesn't need to have a pedigree to enjoy the services of this fine grooming studio. All breeds need regular grooming, and pets look and feel much better when their coats are trimmed at regular intervals. Whatever breed YOU own, make an appointment soon to have it cared for at MUDDY PAWS! You'll find the rates reasonable and the service excellent. For the do-it-yourselfer, they also feature complete self-service pet washing. The writers of this 2016 Look At Business would like to make special mention of this fine pet grooming parlor. Courtney and the Staff look forward to seeing you soon!



Retail – Wholesale "All Your Animal Needs, Large & Small"

Gary & Sam – Owners "If It Eats We Can Feed It"

What determines the quality and integrity of a company are not just the products they present. At THREE G'S HAY AND GRAIN located at 5307 Boyd Rd. in Arcata, phone 707-826-9537, open Mon. – Sat., 7am – 6pm and Sun., 10am – 4pm, you'll notice an attitude they have maintained since their beginning that separates them from many other feed stores in the area. They carry a full line of certified organic chicken and animal feeds, quality dog food, wild bird seed, fencing, certified organic fertilizer, hay, seed, straw, shavings, and you can depend on personal service and a guarantee of customer satisfaction that are simply hard to find...anywhere.

At THREE G'S HAY AND GRAIN you'll find all the products you need for your farm or ranch including hay, straw, and complete livestock and pet supplies, a full line of cast iron cookware and delivery is available as well. They have the brand names you know and trust.

Gary, Sam and the staff thank each customer; your patronage is never taken for granted.

Hair Unlimited

They Create Your Unique Expression

1640 G Street in Arcata, phone 707-822-3262.

This well known salon features professional stylists to shape, cut, perm and color YOUR hair into a style that is, "distinctly you." Their modern techniques and professional hair care products assure you of the most natural and healthy hair possible. You'll look better and feel better every time you stop in at this full service hair care salon. In addition to exceptional hair care, HAIR UNLIMITED also features waxing; eyebrow & eye lashes tinting; organic perms & coloring; relaxers; and carved hair designs.

In short, they specialize in all phases of hair and beauty care. For a simple cutting or waving, to a whole new look...this is one of the finest places in the area that you can go to. Remember, quality hair products and accessories are great gift ideas.

Although walk-ins are welcome, appointments are recommended. Whether it's today or the next time you are in town, give them a try. We know that you will soon be a regular customer of HAIR UNLIMITED.



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Being backed by years of dedicated service and reliability are just two reasons why LINDA SUNDBERG INSURANCE AGENCY is known as one of the leading insurance agencies in the area. Most people are more apt to place their trust in a company with this kind of reputation and when they find out that LINDA SUNDBERG INSURANCE AGENCY is the local agent for Farmers Insurance Group of Companies, that's about all they need to know!

Located in Arcata at 400 G St., phone 707-822-2421, this well-known insurance agent has won the admiration and confidence of the area's leading citizens and business people. If you've been searching for an insurance agency which will give you competitive rates, outstanding service, and complete coverage choices, this is the one agency for you!

So, when it comes to insurance, remember the name: LINDA SUNDBERG INSURANCE AGENCY and Farmers Insurance Group. They're all you'll ever need to know about insurance! The writers of this 2016 Look At Business suggest this fine agency to our readers.



Arcata Muffler & Brake

Bob Freemantle – Owner & Operator

Does your car, truck or SUV's muffler sound like it's about ready to fall off? Maybe it's time for you to visit ARCATA MUFFLER & BRAKE and have a new muffler installed. If you didn't know it, a faulty exhaust system robs power from your engine, adds greatly to air and noise pollution and can be hazardous to you and your passengers. A quick stop at 322 South G St. in Arcata, phone 707-822-6907, will let these professionals check your vehicle and recommend the exact replacement. A short installation period and you're back on the road in a much safer and quieter rig. They have mufflers in stock for most any model car or truck and will install the proper unit while you wait. They also offer complete brake work. Be sure to call for complete information and prices on catalytic converters.

If it's performance you want, they have a full line of custom headers and dual exhaust systems as well as pipe bending equipment to make any exhaust system to your exact requirements and all installations are mig welded. We suggest ARCATA MUFFLER & BRAKE to all of our readers.



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Buying and selling scrap metal is the business of ARCATA SCRAP & SALVAGE at 192 South G St. in Arcata, phone 707-822-4881. This established firm deals in all types of scrap metals and pays top dollar for all commodities. They have new roads and a new 60 foot truck scale.

Specialists in iron, steel, aluminum, copper, brass and many other materials including radiators, stainless steel and insulated wire, this well known scrap yard will pay you by the pound or ton for metals of all types. You're doing a service to the ecology AND to your pocketbook when you make it a point to take all excess metal to ARCATA SCRAP & SALVAGE for recycling. They, in turn, sell materials to foundries, iron works, and other places where they're converted back into useful products again. It's an excellent way to help the environment and the economy. The writers of this 2016 Look At Business would like to commend this well known firm for their significant contribution to the ecology of the local region.



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Utilizing the very latest in mud and air rotary and cable tool drilling, this reputable firm has been drilling wells for homeowners, irrigators, and others for a long time, and the accumulation of their knowledge is what you get when you contact RICH WELL DRILLING & PUMP SERVICE, INC. to drill YOUR well. They also specialize in monitor wells, test pumping, test drilling, well cleaning, filtration, and pump sales and service.

We suggest this outstanding well drilling company! Stan and Stuart always appreciate your business. They are proud supporters of McKinleyville Youth Sports!

MAD RIVER GARDENS NURSERY

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Jack & Gloria Stewart – Owners & Operators

For the hardest, most beautiful nursery stock anywhere, it's MAD RIVER GARDENS NURSERY located at 3384 Janes Rd. in Arcata, phone 707-822-7049. Here you'll find a dazzling array of plants, flowers and shrubs that are just right for any landscaping project that you may have in mind.

Trees for shade, beauty or fruit? This friendly nursery has all varieties and sizes. Start something growing today...it's the natural way to make everything beautiful. Open 7 days a week, MAD RIVER GARDENS NURSERY has a lot more than just the plants and trees to make your home or business bloom with beauty. They feature bedding plants, ground cover, assorted plants, vegetable starts and this complete garden center with nursery professionals can offer many helpful suggestions for the enhancement of your grounds.

The writers of this 2016 urge you to see the professionals of the nursery business today and do something "naturally beautiful" for your home or business.

"From your garden, to your kitchen."

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For the best in insured road building material hauling, including sand, gravel, rock, dirt and concrete, and asphalt haul away service, contact NICHOLLS TRUCKING INC. located in Blue Lake, phone 707-822-6400. This company hires only experienced personnel who know their jobs thoroughly. Their drivers are some of the best on the road. You can be assured that when you contact this company for road material hauling, the goods will be loaded properly and safely delivered to their destination on schedule. Through their use of modern equipment and the latest approved hauling methods, the work they do for you will be the best you can buy and at rates that are within the bounds for the job they do.

The writers of this 2016 Look At Business salute Cheryl and her team for their honest and fair business dealings and the high quality and dependability of their work. Remember to contact NICHOLLS TRUCKING INC. for some of the best in road material hauling, and haul away service available.



Love at 425°

Center, phone 707-443-9977; in Fortuna located at 709 S. Fortuna, phone 707-725-9391; and in McKinleyville located at 2015 Central Ave., phone 707-839-8763.

These folks use their own unique recipes and fresh choice ingredients so that each pizza will make you come back for more. They also offer salads and desserts. Their fresh made-to-order pizza bakes in your oven in about 12 to 18 minutes, and gives you all the PREMIUM taste without the PREMIUM price! For delicious take 'n bake pizza you'll return for again and again, the writers of this 2016 Look At Business heartily suggest you visit PAPA MURPHY'S TAKE "N" BAKE PIZZA often...and take home the best!

E & O Bowl

Family Owned & Operated

Bowling, the great American fitness program, is ALWAYS more fun at E & O BOWL. This well-known bowling center features original equipment and new lanes. Your score will improve whenever you stop in and bowl a game! Conveniently located at 1417 Glendale Dr. near Blue Lake, phone 707-825-9160, this fine facility has more to offer for the beginner or experienced bowler. They utilize the best in automatic pin setters and hand scoring. There's no better way to improve your skill than to bowl regularly.

The proprietors of this bowling center urge EVERYONE to keep in shape the fun way with bowling! They feature instructions, a bowler's "pro shop", a full service bar, and many other convenient and enjoyable services to help you enjoy your game a little more.

The writers of this 2016 Look At Business suggest that YOU become a better bowler by bowling regularly at E & O BOWL. They appreciate all their friends and folks who enjoy this fine facility!



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The writers of this 2016 Look At Business suggest that you contact this reliable firm for all of your janitorial needs.



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Catering to the family in the old fashioned tradition, CLONEY'S PHARMACIES is the modern pharmacy with "old time" service! In fact, they are specialists in service. Red Cross Pharmacy is located at 525 Fifth St. in Eureka, phone 707-443-1614; Prescription Pharmacy at 2515 Harrison Ave. in Eureka, phone 707-443-7086 and McKinleyville Pharmacy at 1567 City Center Rd. in McKinleyville, phone 707-840-9923 or visit Cloneys.com. These are pharmacies where personal service and individual attention are not things of the past. A friendly smile, a cheerful greeting and prompt, personal service are what you'll get every time you walk in. No wonder they're the favorite pharmacy of so many families in the Humboldt County area. They feature fast, friendly and professional

service, immunizations, certified diabetes educator, customized compounding, durable medical equipment, medical therapy management and much more.

The writers of the 2016 Look At Business suggest that all of our readers shop where service and the customer are the main products: CLONEY'S PHARMACIES.



Skip Staley – Owner & Contractor

CA Lic. #976026

Here in the Humboldt County area, a leader in the construction industry is G W CONSTRUCTION located in McKinleyville, phone 707-498-4175. If you are planning any remodeling or an addition to existing buildings, you should call Skip immediately for a free estimate. No matter whether the job is large or small, your plans will receive the same careful attention. Many factors will be considered, all based on the long experience of Skip with G W CONSTRUCTION in the building field. He will make sure that your plans are in conformity with the local building codes.

Another room added to your home, a garage built, a recreation room, doors, windows, bath and kitchen remodeling, painting, whatever your need, large or small, call on G W CONSTRUCTION the home of qualified workmen. Their reputation is built, by how they build.



Michael D. Pulley, PLS

David A. Crivelli, PLS

If you're like most land owners, you may have some questions regarding just where your property line ends and your neighbor's begins. Many times, an accurate determination is necessary in order for you to build a fence or begin any type of new construction on your property. You may need the services of an experienced surveying firm such as POINTS WEST SURVEYING COMPANY.

Located at 5201 Carlson Park Dr., Suite #3 in Arcata, phone 707-840-9510, and online at PointsWestSurveying.com, this is a professional surveying company that specializes in service to the individual land holder. Whether it's merely a property line determination or a detailed map of your land for legal purposes, this is the firm to consult with. Simply put, they do the best job for you in the shortest possible time AND at the least expense.

The writers of this 2016 Look At Business would like to commend POINTS WEST SURVEYING COMPANY for their honest and straightforward service dedicated to the independent land owner!

NEW DDA Humboldt County District Attorney Maggie Fleming has announced the hiring of Deputy District Attorney Carolyn Schaffer. Schaffer, a graduate of UC San Diego and Santa Clara Law School, has worked as a Dep-

uty District Attorney in the Contra Costa County District Attorney’s office since January 2013. While working as a Deputy District Attorney, she also volunteered as a coach for high school mock trial teams, a

program run by the UC Berkeley School of Law Center for Youth Development through Law. She will be assigned a general caseload of felonies and misdemeanors.

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SingingTreeGardens.com

SINGING TREE GARDENS NURSERY, located at 5225 Dow's Prairie Rd. in McKinleyville, phone **707-839-8777**, and see their photo gallery at **SingingTreeGardens.com**, offers all types of **plants, shrubs, flowers and tree stock. They specialize in rare and unusual rhododendrons, azaleas, dwarf conifer, deciduous trees, unique perennials and grasses.** From annuals to perennials, their stock is complete and healthy. Not only does landscaping help to make a home beautiful, but it increases its value as well. When you select shrubbery, plants or trees for your yard, it is as permanent as the home itself.

They are willing to advise you on any job. You will find their help friendly and their prices right. We suggest you make this nursery your headquarters for your landscaping stock. We would like to commend the staff and management of SINGING TREE GARDENS NURSERY for their fair business policies. Come on out and enjoy their display gardens!

Especially You Assisted Living

Jeffery Throgmorton – Owner Amanda Mitchell – Administrator
CA Lic. #126801773

There is a need in this area for affordable living facilities for older residents who are mobile and active, but no longer want to cope with the responsibilities of maintaining a home. They need the freedom that is everyone's right, but may require safe and secure surroundings and some amount of assistance.

This is met at **ESPECIALLY YOU ASSISTED LIVING** located at 12 Henderson St. in Eureka, phone **707-443-8838**. Their homelike adult living facilities provide private rooms on a long or short-term basis, are climate-controlled, well-maintained and relaxing. Laundry, housekeeping and three home-cooked meals a day free residents to enjoy various planned activities, their own personal projects and each other's companionship.

ESPECIALLY YOU ASSISTED LIVING's caring staff believes in dignified and personalized care and provides assistance with bathing, dressing, personal care, medication management and physical therapy as ordered by physician. They have a dementia and hospice waiver to give total care through the end of life.

Should your loved one require independence in a safe and caring environment, contact **ESPECIALLY YOU ASSISTED LIVING** to discuss their services or to visit their facility.



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When you're looking around today's tough, critical real estate market for the best place to put your money, trust **COMMUNITY REALTY** to help you find the home or property that **YOU** want!

With offices located at 2355 Central Ave., Ste. D in McKinleyville, phone **707-839-9093**, and at 2850 E St. in Eureka, phone **707-269-2400**, this respected broker has more to offer in terms of listings and services. Whether you're looking for a building site, a new home, an older house, or vacation property, this is the one to see!

With some realistic prices and some diligent effort, **COMMUNITY REALTY** can and will find just what you're looking for. They have access to properties throughout the state and can assist you in every conceivable manner. When it comes time to sell your existing property, this reliable broker will get more for you! Trust them with your real estate matters!

As the writers of this 2016 Look At Business, we heartily suggest that you contact this well-known firm for your real estate needs! We know you'll be happy with the results.

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Nowhere will you find a firm that strives to please every customer as conscientiously as **THE SPORTS WORLD**. For screen printing and custom embroidery at competitive prices and the utmost in service, come to **THE SPORTS WORLD** at 30 W. 4th St. in Eureka, phone **707-443-4011**! At **THE SPORTS WORLD** you'll find shirts, jackets, caps, uniforms and more, and something else that's unusual these days: friendliness! They offer team and group discounts for schools, churches, leagues, businesses or individual custom work with many years of experience. They also offer awards, trophies, and personalized **Fire and Light sandblasting**. For 40 years, they have built a reputation for themselves by supplying the needs of the local residents and doing it with a smile. What a pleasant change from the huge discount stores of today. By being a part of this fine community, they can offer the kind of service and quality products people care about and the personal touch that people love.

We, the writers, are pleased to include **THE SPORTS WORLD** in our 2016 Look At Business. We'd like you to remember, whether it's screen printing or embroidery, they are ready to fill your order!

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Business people and homeowners in this area depend on **NORTHCOAST PUMPHOUSE** for pumps of the finest quality. They are dealers for famous **Goulds** and **Berkeley** pumps. Located at 1400 Main St. in Ferndale, phone **707-786-4281**, this reputable firm features parts and new pump sales and installation.

As some of the recognized experts in the irrigation field, **NORTHCOAST PUMPHOUSE** has the training and experience to give you field service on all types of water transport problems. Fair treatment and a professional job every time are just two of the reasons people throughout the area see **NORTHCOAST PUMPHOUSE** for their pump needs.

The writers of this 2016 Look At Business would like to make particular mention of this reliable firm. The Northcoast Pumphouse Team thanks all their customers and looks forward to serving you.

Redwood Electrical Services

Mark Brown – Owner
Lic. #920555



Recognized throughout the area as one of the leaders in their field, **REDWOOD ELECTRICAL SERVICES** are specialists in all phases of residential, commercial and industrial installations. Located in Eureka, phone **707-499-8349** or **707-444-1374**, this prominent firm can install, maintain or repair anything electrical! No wonder leading business people and industrialists throughout the area contact **REDWOOD ELECTRICAL SERVICES** when they need the best in electrical work. If you own a home, older commercial or industrial building or are planning to build a new one, call this respected company and have a electrician come out to see what you need in the way of new installations or rewiring. This company is fully aware of all the requirements of the local building codes and will assist you in every way to bring your electrical service up to the standards that the law requires. And, you can rest assured that the work will be done with everyone's safety in mind.

The writers of this 2016 Look At Business urge all homeowners, business people and industrialists to contact them for anything that requires the best in electrical work!



Serving Organic & Natural Food
for Over 38 Years!

There are cafes that come and go, and there are a few cafes that give good food and service year after year to the folks who drop in. For people who shop in, or are passing thru Garberville, that cafe is **WOODROSE CAFE** located at 911 Redwood Dr., phone **707-923-3191**, and visit **TheWoodroseCafe.com**.

When you're ready to relax over a good; hot cup of coffee; smoothies or juices; a sandwich, or a freshly prepared meal; you will enjoy what the owners serve up! If you're new in the area, stop at the **WOODROSE CAFE** for breakfast or lunch the next time you are in town, and eat where the folks who "know" do. **WOODROSE CAFE** has some of the friendliest service anywhere in the whole area.

The writers of this 2016 Look At Business salute the owners of **WOODROSE CAFE** for giving the people of this area such good service and great food. Remember...for "good eats" visit **WOODROSE CAFE! Mon - Fri: (Breakfast 8am - Noon) & (Lunch Noon - 2pm) Sat & Sun: (Breakfast Only 8am - 2pm)**



Rocky's Quality Car Care
& Off-Road Service

Family Owned & Operated By Donna Clark
Over 42 Years Experience In Humboldt County!

Got a problem with your car, light truck, Jeep, or 4x4 that an "ordinary" auto repair firm can't handle? For professional repairs in the Eureka area, it's **ROCKY'S QUALITY CAR CARE & OFF ROAD SERVICE** located at 25 3rd St. (between A & B Streets) in Eureka; phone **707-443-5678** and visit **RockysOffRoad.com**. This precision shop specializes in the repair of all makes and models of autos, light trucks, Jeeps and 4x4 vehicles.

These professionals know **EVERYTHING** about the repair of cars and trucks, so why trust this delicate operation to a firm with just a "general" knowledge of the subject, when the specialists here charge no more to do it right the first time, saving you valuable time and money.

With the exact tools at their disposal and years of practical experience behind them, this is one shop where the work **WILL BE DONE PERFECTLY**. The writers of this 2016 Look At Business suggest you contact these professionals! You'll be glad you did. Donna always finds it a pleasure to serve you and wishes everyone All The Best!

Field Of Dreams Farm

"Where Dreams Come True"

Corrie Scollard – Owner Over 35 Years Experience

Providing our area with some of the finest riding instruction and horse training facilities available, at reasonable prices, is **FIELD OF DREAMS FARM** located at 665 Spruce Ave. in Westhaven, phone **707-677-0651**. You'll appreciate the space, the cleanliness, and the superior care given by these fine professionals. They offer lessons in Western, English, bareback, and basic jumping for kids and adults (private or group lessons), lesson horses provided or you can bring your own. They're known throughout the area for their thorough methods, giving each rider and animal the individualized program they deserve, a solid foundation is built on excellent groundwork and continues on through to finished horses and riders. They can also handle any tune-ups your current mount needs, and bad habits are gently, but firmly corrected.

Both you and your horse will work as one and with more confidence after training with **FIELD OF DREAMS FARM**. Call soon for more information. They also offer clinics, seminars, and camps; resistance-free methods used. No boarding or rental offered.

Corrie wishes to thank all of her valued friends and customers; it's always a pleasure serving you and your horse!



Matt Bray – Owner & Operator
CA Lic. #714688

EvansMechanical.com

EVANS MECHANICAL, with the showroom located at 2930 Broadway in Eureka, phone **707-445-1435**, knows the plumbing, heating and air conditioning business thoroughly. They don't "guess" at your problems - they find the answers. They are people who understand all phases of this work and they keep up with the latest equipment and maintenance problems. They stand behind their work and will do a job in the shortest time possible. They understand that when you have a plumbing, heating or air conditioning problem, you need someone as soon as possible.

EVANS MECHANICAL offers you the best in plumbing and heating fixtures and installation, both commercial and residential. Repair jobs are given prompt attention at a fair price.

You will like their employees and find them courteous and efficient. If you want to do business with someone you can trust, be sure to call them first.

The writers of this 2016 Look At Business find it doubtful that you could find a more competent contractor. Call **EVANS MECHANICAL** at **707-445-1435**, you'll be glad you did.



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PUBLIC SAFETY

When is a 'possum less awesome?

Tuesday, May 3 5:01 p.m. An elderly man drinking behind the wheel of his parked car in front of a Westwood market was arrested before he could drive away.

6:48 p.m. A man was observed jumping in and out of traffic and onto passing vehicles at 11th and M, but was gone on arrival.

7:05 p.m. Only to turn up four blocks away, “acting crazy jumping on cars.”

8:07 p.m. There was an old woman who heard the tattoo Of very loud drums and knew just what to do She called the police to still that drumhead For all that she wanted was to go to bed.

Wednesday, May 4 9:20 a.m. A person selling a Coachella ticket on Craigslist cashed a check and then sent \$1,300 to another location. Surprise! The check bounced.

10:16 a.m. The limits of friendship are tested, but not ruptured, even when one friend steals another’s guitars, worth some \$1,800, pawns them, and then refuses to make good. Still, the wronged party refuses to give up their friend’s name to police.

12:39 p.m. The bad friend copped to the theft ‘n’ pawn.

2:29 p.m. Loud partiers occupying the residence of a deceased elderly woman were now disturbing the



rest of her elderly neighbor.

3:13 p.m. A woman loaned her car to a family friend, who now refuses to return it, has disconnected his phone and possibly left the state.

6:11 p.m. A group of persons associated with a white van were advised to cease making comments of a sexual and demeaning nature to women at 10th and J.

9:11 p.m. A woman in a pink jacket was arrested for stealing a road map from a Valley West gas station.

11:36 p.m. A ‘possum is less awesome when it’s indoors.

Thursday, May 5 7:24 a.m. A very disoriented older man clad only in gray underwear wandered around a Valley West motel, ending up in the laundry room.

7:56 a.m. A man wrapped in a sleeping bag committed an ICUP violation on the side of the bus station.

10:07 a.m. Someone cut through the fence of a lower H Street tow yard and made off with a black 1998 Audi and a green 2000 Mercury Cougar.

12:48 p.m. A yellow 10-speed Motobecane bike was stolen.

1:02 p.m. It’s polite to tip the cleaning staff at the motel; it’s rude and cruel to leave them a dog.

3:36 p.m. A black Marin Bobcat Hardtail went missing from outside a bagelry.

4:20 p.m. Two women celebrating the time of day inside a truck were shooed away from a school bus stop.

9:53 p.m. A decidedly unjolly red bearded giant dressed tip to toe in gray had to be escorted from Tavern Row.

10:12 p.m. And in Valley West, a second angry giant clad in black ‘n’ camo refused to pay for his ex-girlfriend’s room.

Friday, May 6 1:32 a.m. Six people and two dogs in one room is too many, says a Northtown motel.

9:40 a.m. A dreadlocked man in a white hat made a drug delivery to the wrong apartment. Police were requested to pick up the goods.

3:08 p.m. In the three months she was out of town, squatters broke into a woman’s apartment and made off with her clothing and some furniture.

3:28 p.m. The night previous, someone punched him in the face.

3:36 p.m. A group of jokercs, smokers, midafternoon tokers were moved along away from a credit union entrance.

10:10 p.m. A party host reported the theft of a \$200 painting.

10:50 p.m. At an RV park, someone broke into a fifth wheel and made off with a .22 calibre Heritage Manufacturing pistol.

11:23 p.m. Roommate in total meltdown on Iverson Avenue.

Missing man now sought for sexual abuse of a minor

MAD RIVER UNION

BLUE LAKE – Law enforcement is looking for a Blue Lake man who is accused of sexually abusing a 9 year old girl.

The Humboldt County Superior Court has issued a warrant for the arrest of Roy Alan Gibbs, 68, who was reported missing by his wife on May 30. According to the suspect’s wife, Gibbs left their residence at about 12:30 p.m. to go for a walk and never returned. The wife and family members searched for him, then reported him missing to the Sheriff’s Office later that evening. The following day, May 31, deputies responded to Blue Lake Elementary School to assist Child Welfare Services (CWS) with a reported sexual assault case. CWS made sure victim, a 9 year old girl, was safe and with her mother.



Roy Alan Gibbs

Detectives then searched Gibbs’ home on Raymar Avenue in Blue Lake.

On Tuesday, June 7, a forensic interview was conducted with the assistance of the Humboldt County Child Abuse Services Team. According to a press release from the Sheriff’s Office, the victim disclosed repeated sexual abuse that occurred over several years.

With this information, detectives obtained a warrant for the arrest of Gibbs, whose bail is set at \$2.5 million.

The warrant accuses Gibbs of continuous sexual abuse of a child, eight counts of lewd or lascivious acts using force or fear with a child under 14 years of age, providing harmful matter (pornography) to a minor, aggravated sexual assault of a minor (oral copulation) and terrorist threats.

If you know the whereabouts of Roy Alan Gibbs, contact the Sheriff’s Office immediately. Do not attempt to apprehend Gibbs, as he is possibly in possession of a firearm. Anyone with information related to this case is requested to contact Detective Scott Hicks at (707) 445-7301.

Machete-wielding man found guilty

HUMBOLDT COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY’S OFFICE

EUREKA – A Humboldt County jury has found Charles Kesselring IV ended it near Eureka High School to limit risk to the public.

However, shortly thereafter, citizens assisted the deputy in locating the defendant, who had left the car and run into an apartment. Because the crime is not classified as a serious or violent crime, Kesselring was cited and not booked into the jail.

Shortly before midnight Humboldt County Sheriff’s deputies responded to a report of a robbery in Manila. The victim, a pizza delivery man, said when he stopped his car at the Ma-



Charles Kesselring IV

nila Community Center, a man with distinctive tattoos brandished a machete, ordered him out of his car, demanded his wallet and threatened to kill him. The victim later identified Kesselring as the person who committed the carjacking and robbery.

Kesselring was arrested in Ukiah on May 29, 2016 after evading the Ukiah police in a vehicle. A jury found him guilty on June 8.

Kesselring faces a maximum sentence of 17 years in prison. His sentencing hearing has been set for July 7.

The case was tried by Deputy District Attorney Jackie Pizzo and defended by Christina Allbright.

Violent clashes over cell phones

• Wednesday, June 1 12:34 p.m. At the parking lot for Strawberry Rock north of Trinidad, a burglar smashed in a car window and got away with a purse, which was later found at a nearby gas station. A debit card and driver’s license were missing. Those who use the parking lot should take note – this is a normal occurrence.

4:19 p.m. A wildland fire broke out on Hiller Road in McKinleyville. Deputies responded to assist firefighters. When they got there they discovered that there was a marijuana grow in the residence. Joshua Nelson was arrested on suspicion of cultivation and possession of marijuana.

10:39 p.m. Out on Woody Road in McKinleyville, Michael Stone had spent a long day drinking. By the evening things went sideways, and he allegedly got a little violent with some family members. Deputies arrived and determined that he needed to go to the drunk tank to sober up.

• Thursday, June 2 9:34 a.m. A resident on the 200 block of Dean Avenue in Manila discovered that a thief had stolen several chainsaws, a boat motor and an impact wrench from an unlocked garage.

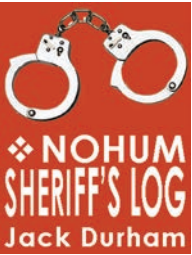
• Friday, June 3 7:10 a.m. At a residence on Larissa Circle in McKinleyville, Tawny Owen was videotaping her boyfriend with a cell phone. He asked her to stop and an argument ensued. Owen then allegedly grabbed and yanked his hair. Owen then called the Sheriff’s Office to report that the boyfriend was attacking her, but when deputies arrived they didn’t see it that way. Owen was arrested on suspicion of spousal battery and booked into the county jail.

9:52 p.m. Over on Halfway Avenue in McKinleyville, a car window was smashed.

12:49 p.m. On Bird Avenue in McKinleyville, a man fell victim to scam and lost \$200.

• Saturday, June 4 5:10 p.m. Over on Silverado Avenue and nearby streets in McKinleyville, numerous vehicles were vandalized.

• Sunday, June 5 1:47 a.m. Deputies found Richard Shears in the 2200 block of Central Avenue in McKinleyville and arrested him on suspicion of public intoxication. He was transported to the drunk tank in Eureka to sober up.



9:07 a.m. Derrick Norris, who is on parole, was doing some heavy drinking with a fellow and the fellow’s girlfriend in Orick. The girlfriend fell asleep, then woke up and found that Norris had put his hands down her pants. She tried to get away, but Norris allegedly grabbed her, held her down and tried to have intercourse with her. Deputies were called to the scene and arrested Norris on suspicion of sexual battery.

8:20 p.m. A girl was skateboarding on Carolina Avenue in McKinleyville when a gray pit bull on a leash ran up to her and bit her on the back of her leg.

10:38 p.m. In a trailer in Bayside, Patrick Sewell reportedly demanded that a woman give him her cell phone, but she refused. Things got physical, and Sewell grabbed the phone, then she grabbed it back and it turned into a sort of tug of war. Eventually, the woman had possession of the phone, so Sewell went outside and lowered the jack on the trailer, causing it to tilt. The woman went outside to see why the trailer was all askew. When Sewell spotted her, he allegedly forced her back in the trailer, causing her to hit her head. Sewell then allegedly threw the woman to the ground, and continuously hit her and bit her until she handed over the phone. He then doused her with dish soap and left before deputies arrived. Sewell is wanted on suspicion of robbery, inflicting corporal injury on a cohabitant and attempting to dissuade a victim.

• Monday, June 6 2:22 a.m. It’s the middle of the night and darkness has enveloped Blackhawk Lane in McKinleyville. Almost everyone is asleep, except for Daniel Christie, who is roaming around, looking in cars, diving in dumpsters. There’s also a neighbor awake, who sees what Christie is up to and calls the Sheriff’s Office. When deputies arrive, Christie bolts, leaving behind his bicycle and other personal belongings. Deputies go after Christie, and in short order they’ve got him in custody. They search Christie and find what they knew they would find, what they always find – meth and some syringes. Christie is cited and released on suspicion of possession of meth and obstructing a police officer. And off he goes into the night, spiraling down.

Update on man shot by police

Paul Mann

MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA – The Garberville man shot four times by an Arcata police officer on May 17 remains hospitalized, pending further surgery.

Joshua Adelynia Hoffman, 26, formerly of Eureka, is out of intensive care and in stable condition awaiting the doctors’ decision on when to operate, Arcata Police Chief Tom Chapman said in an interview at Arcata Police headquarters.

Hoffman suffered two gunshot wounds to the torso and one each to his right arm and right leg.

Chapman also said that the inter-agency investigation of the shooting, anchored by the Humboldt County Critical Incident Response Team (CIRT), is almost complete, except for collating the multiple reports. The compendium will be forwarded shortly to Chief Investigator Wayne Cox of the Humboldt County District Attorney’s office.

It then goes to District Attorney Maggie Fleming for final review, which might take one to two months, given the large volume of evidence and documentation involved, Chapman said.

Besides Fleming’s office, the CIRT is made up of the Humboldt County Sheriff’s Office and the Eureka and Fortuna Police departments.

On administrative leave pending Fleming’s judgment is APD Officer Don Arminio, who has been with the force eight years. He shot Hoffman in a parking lot confrontation at the Shell Food Mart at 14th and G streets in Northtown Arcata after a Taser triggered by fellow officer Matthew O’Donovan failed to halt the suspect’s alleged advance.

Chapman, his APD colleagues and the CIRT documented the confrontation and the shooting with the help of civilian witnesses. The probe is supported by in-patrol car camera footage-cum-audio recordings, plus surveillance video captured by



Joshua Adelynia Hoffman

the Shell station’s monitors. Three police cars took camera footage.

According to the chief’s chronology, the two officers arrived simultaneously at 14th and G on May 17 at 6:51 p.m., eight minutes after dispatch received a telephone call from the Shell clerk. He reported a man drinking alcohol and “swinging two sticks in an aggressive manner.” The clerk managed to persuade Hoffman to leave the Food Mart.

Camera recordings confirmed that Hoffman was brandishing two weapons, one in each hand, according to Chapman. One of them was a three-foot-long wooden stick that the chief said resembled a thick dowel; the other was a metal cane.

The Shell clerk reportedly said Hoffman was spinning both objects “in a ninja fashion,” or what Chapman described as “a martial arts manner.”

Hoffman allegedly defied the officers’ instructions to drop the stick and cane. They sought to de-escalate the face-off orally, “tried to get him to calm down a little bit,” which is captured on the police car audio, the chief recounted. “He was swinging both of those weapons towards the officers.”

Hoffman charged one of the two suddenly, according to Chapman’s account, with the metal cane raised up over his head. That was “an apparent attempt to assault the officer,” the chief said. “It was clear, at least to me, he was trying to attack the officer with the metal cane.”

Hoffman had to be pinned down as he tried to get up after being wounded and “there was a little bit of a struggle” before the officers handcuffed him, according to Chapman’s version of events. Arminio and O’Donovan immediately began lifesaving operations while summoning an ambulance, which arrived at 6:58 p.m.

Based on police radio traffic, about three minutes elapsed between the officers’ arrival at 6:51 and the Taser deployment at 6:54, followed by the four shots fired.

OPINION

A hash lab, herbicides, ‘Useful Idiots’ and the homeless

Say no to McK hash lab
(The following letter was sent to Fifth District Supervisor Ryan Sundberg. – Ed.)

The June 1 issue of the *Mad River Union* contained a page one story titled “Pot facility, hash lab proposed.” It went on to describe how a local construction company in McKinleyville wanted to establish a marijuana manufacturing facility. The end products could include “edibles and concentrates.” The production would require the use of various chemicals as well as producing a number of chemicals, some of which may be considered explosive in nature. Local news has, in the past, recorded a number of hash labs exploding, causing severe damage. Without debating the current medical marijuana ordinance, I view this proposed plan as something that should not be allowed in this area. It would be adjacent to the local airport, resident housing and not too far from Dow’s Prairie School. I trust that you, as well as other supervisors, when acting as the county’s Airport Land Use Commission, will not approve any variance, thereby denying the proposal to go forward. Respectfully,

James L. Ravano
McKinleyville

An April Fool’s story?
Twenty years ago, possession of marijuana was a crime in California. Period. But in that year, 1996, Proposition 215 was passed. It would have been hard to predict that, a mere two decades later, the front-page headline in our local paper, would read: “Pot facility, hash lab proposed” and that it would have been be an April Fool’s joke. **Jay Davis**
Arcata

Herbicide use defended
As a neighbor of the Lanphere Dunes Unit of the Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge, I pay attention to what is going on there. I appreciated the new information provided in the June 8 issue under an “herbicide” headline, but I would like to add some context. The refuge has a long history of invasive plant removal on the scale of heroic and amazing, dealing with vast acreage of European beachgrass (*Ammophila arenaria*) on the foredunes English ivy (*Hedera helix*) in the dune forest, and Smooth cordgrass (*Spartina alterniflora*) in the salt marsh, as well as tackling other weeds before they spread to such proportions.

For all of this the means of attack has been manual removal, not herbicide. With tight budgets and use of grant funding the labor for the beachgrass and ivy has been California Conservation Corp (CCC), California Department of Forestry (CDF “fire crews”), Department of Corrections (prisoners, sheriff’s work crews) and volunteers, all of whom should be commended on the hours of strenuous labor involved in digging, pulling and stacking tons of vegetation. When I read that the refuge used herbicide, I know it was a thoroughly considered decision, the best way to solve a difficult problem. As shown by their avoidance of herbicides for major weed removals, the refuge respects and shares our public’s general distrust of these powerful chemicals. As I see it, in this case the timeline of an important and prestigious experiment, combined with constraints of the labor source, required unusual action. My simplified understanding of the Climate Ready study is that it compares sand movement in foredunes covered by European beachgrass with those covered with

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native dune plants. The native plant plots needed to be established during the 2015-16 rainy season by planting in European beachgrass-free zones. The beachgrass was cleared by CDF crews, which were not available until after the fire season. This later-than-ideal removal meant that by the time beachgrass resprouts appeared (an expected occurrence in any weed-removal project) no labor was available to dig them, the native plants had to be in the ground, and further ground disturbance would have set back any natural sprouting from native seeds in the soil. Dealing with the scattered, small tufts or single leaves of beachgrass (and the underground root systems they represented) required a low labor, less ground-disturbing method than digging. Either doing nothing or proceeding with manual removal would compromise the meaningfulness of this globally important, expensive, difficult-to-replicate experiment. Careful, spot application of a widely used herbicide seems a good choice.

Carol Ralph
Arcata

Nurturing ‘Useful Idiots’
I have been listening to a radio commercial by the Eureka Schools that states they use the “proactive approach to achieve social, emotional and academic success.” It would appear that parents are only for birthing and room and board. The schools will take care of the rest. They will be socially engineered and indoctrinated so that they will become what Stalin use to call Useful Idiots. God forbid that they are to think on their own. Oops! I guess I am not to use that word God. For emotional we are sure to give them some safe space so that they will not be offended by harsh words. We will teach them that there are certain words they cannot use for fear of offending some other students. There will be no competition in anything as everyone is a winner and each student is given a trophy. They may even do away with grades. We can not hurt the feelings of the lower achieving students. There are some schools that forbid the parents from entering the school and from walking their students to class. Of prime importance is the emotional wellbeing of the child. Then we have Common Core. I believe that was designed to keep the parents out of the minds of the students. Oh! What have we wrought?

Alfred Parodi
McKinleyville

More taxes and fees
Here we go again! It has been reported that a poll has been taken and that county residents would support a 20-year, one-half cent sales tax to improve and report the county road system. I wish I had been called! In addition to the sales tax, there will be increased day use fees at county parks, so as to keep them open. How can the fees be increased when the parks are in such poor condition? For example, Big Lagoon Park: The boat dock as been removed. The men’s restroom is basically unusable. There is now no urinal. Rarely is there any method of drying your hands or any toilet paper and the floor and the area around the toilet is filthy. Also, the outside water fountain has been removed. And they want to increase the day use fees?



News item: Mike Wilson wins the Third District race by a landslide. See results on page A3.

Also with the increased costs, the county did not contemplate the added long-term impact to the General Fund and the increased workload for county divisions that provide support for the increased staff in the public safety departments as a result of Measure Z funding. How many more taxes and fee increases can we adsorb?

Scott R. Baker
McKinleyville

Declare a shelter crisis
(The following letter was sent to the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors. – Ed.)

Over a month ago, the Human Rights Commission (HRC) made an urgent call to you to proactively intervene in the planned displacement of 150 to 200 people living in the Palco Marsh in Eureka, asking you to do whatever possible to stop this action violating human rights and to invoke a higher authority if necessary. We have not received a response from the board. We have not seen or heard a public comment from the board addressing those who have been disbursed and whose lives are in greater danger due to this disbursement. The commission recognizes its responsibility is to make recommendations to the county Board of Supervisors regarding all human rights issues. Thus, the commission has advised and continues to urge the board to fulfill the following requests immediately.

- Declare an Emergency Shelter Crisis.
- Collaborate with the City of Eureka to resolve this crisis.
- Designate areas in the county for homeless/houseless people to live in a legal, safe and healthy place until such time as the Homeless Strategy and Implementation Plan is fully implemented and permanent housing is available;
- Encourage the city to designate long-term legal, safe living places to be available for homeless/houseless people until such time as the Homeless Strategy and Implementation Plan is fully implemented and permanent housing is available;
- Encourage the respectful treatment and decriminalization of all homeless/houseless people in Humboldt County.

With the exception of approximately 40 Palco Marsh campers taking up residence in the containers on Third Street, those previously living in the marsh are now

on the streets. They are seeking shelter in greenbelts, getting ticketed and arrested, losing their personal property and as a group, more than ever, experiencing an inability to obtain safe, legal shelter. Their health and safety is threatened now more than ever. The majority of them have disabilities. Many have dual disabilities. They can’t stay here and there is no place for them to go. These are your constituents as are many of their children, parents and grandparents. Despite the recommendations of Focus Strategies, numerous advocacy groups, many individuals, and much evidence that disbursing encampments is not advised for reasons of creating more instability and potential health and safety hazards for all, the Palco Marsh encampment was disbursed with few places for people to go day or night. A federal court judge on behalf of 11 plaintiffs living at the Palco Marsh, in a suit against the City of Eureka and its Chief of Police, on Friday April 1, 2016, granted a Temporary Restraining Order for the scheduled May 2 eviction because he recognizes the residents would sustain great harm in being removed from their homes in the encampment with nowhere to go. The commission urges the Board of Supervisors to take immediate action to establish legal campgrounds and safe parking areas throughout the county. We advise the board to follow through with all items the commission recommends above. Ignoring the commission’s call for a Shelter Crisis Declaration, and not providing safe places for those residents now displaced throughout Humboldt County, clearly exacerbates problems of daily living for the houseless, those most in need among your constituents. The commission further advises the Board of Supervisors to move forward with community partners on immediate affordable, safe, legal alternatives such as sanctuary camps and safe parking programs for the large number of homeless in Humboldt until such time as the Homeless Strategy and Implementation Plan is fully implemented and permanent housing is available. As always, the HRC is prepared to help the Board of Supervisors and invites suggestions from the Board as to how the HRC can be of service. Sincerely,
The Humboldt County Human Rights Commission
Nezzie Wade, Chair

Mobile home owners finding a path to staying housed

Some time back, the Arcata City Council directed staff to undertake a study of mobile home parks within the city limits. The goal was to collect data on how many people are housed in these parks, the range of incomes of mobile home park residents and the percentage of that income they are spending on housing. The information is necessary to develop a strategy that would keep rent hikes in line with incomes, which aren’t going up, and prevent more people, particularly elderly people, from becoming homeless. The city partnered with HSU to do the study and on Friday, June 24, a public meeting will be held specifically for Arcatans who reside in mobile home parks. Here are some things you need to know about mobile homes. They are not mobile. They are in fact more like stick homes than trailers that can be pulled around by big pickup trucks. The big difference between a mobile and



a stick house is that the mobile sits on rented land in a park constructed for that purpose. The stick house sits on land owned by the homeowner. Both pay property taxes. Raises in property taxes for stick houses are controlled since Prop 13 passed. There are no controls on rent hikes in mobile home parks. If you are a widow or widower in your 80s or 90s, someone who worked most of your life and who used to be middle class, your income is very likely to be under \$1,000 a month. That’s because the “COLA” or Cost of Living Adjustment has been rigged to ensure that Social Security recipients don’t get meaningful raises in their incomes. That’s one of the reasons why wealth has trickled up, not down. For you, every year you have less income to spend on food and medicine because most of your money is going to pay your space rent and utilities. Older folks who got caught in the economic collapse are in a similar situation.

Their retirement fund lost value and circumstance forced them to file for Social Security as soon as they were eligible, which meant a lower award. Everyone who lives in a mobile home park in Arcata has a stake in this effort and should do their best to be at this meeting. The meeting is being held in the D Street Neighborhood Center, 1301 D St., Arcata, on Friday, June 24, at 5:30 p.m. According to the press release, residents of Arcata mobile home parks will be given priority in getting a seat at the meeting because we are the only ones who will be affected by a city ordinance to control mobile home rent hikes. The owners of the mobile home parks will also be there to protect their economic interests. I hope to see you there. Mary Ella Anderson lives in the Lazy J Ranch Senior Mobile Park, which is a village of older people who look out for one another.

WHERE IS THE RIVER?

Supersleuth called in to investigate as local waterway shrinks



YOU'RE SOAKING IN IT Dolly Madison of Dissguys Detective Agency is on the case. PHOTO BY TERRENCE McNALLY

DELL'ARTE INTERNATIONAL

BLUE LAKE – *The Big Thirst*, a comic mystery by Joan Schirle, uses local river settings – and a lot of humor – to dig into one of the year's hottest topics: water.

Premiering at the Mad River Festival Thursday, June 16 and directed by Michael Fields, the new Dell'Arte Company production will run outdoors in the Rooney Amphitheatre.

A sassy crow, a couple of billionaires, a presidential candidate, a homeless philosopher, a coho named Salmon Ella and an assortment of local characters keep the mystery light on its feet.

Detective Dolly Madison (Janessa Johnsrude) learns that the local river is disappearing – not just drying up, but literally disappearing. Dolly and her sisters, Ladybird and Abigail, form a triangle of inquiry into the mysteries involving water locally and globally – who owns it? Where does it come from? Where does it go? *The Big Thirst* follows the trail right to the top of the food chain, where fact and fantasy mix it up in true Dell'Arte style.

Playwright and Founding Artistic Director Schirle has written three new songs for *The Big Thirst*.

"It's sometimes easier to create exposition through song," she said. "Water is such an all-encompassing issue, you can put your toe in anywhere and discover something that de-

mands our attention, from illegal diversions to dam removal to how much water it takes to grow pistachios, almonds, wine grapes ... and on it goes."

Timmy Gray has contributed original incidental music to underscore the cartoon quality of the show, as Dolly runs up against some of the hard-hitters in the race to bottle up Northern California's water. Danger arises when she flushes out some of the secret players in the water story – a saga that has involved the entire West since white settlers started claiming water rights in the mid-1800s.

Dolly is played by DAI's favorite Humboldt Honey, Janessa Johnsrude (*Mary Jane: The Musical*). Also in the cast are Dell'Arte actors Donald Forrest, Allie Menzimer, Pratik Motwani (Ravi in *Mary Jane*), Kaitlen Osburn, James Peck (*Korbel V*), Sarah Peters (*Artemisia*), Skipper, the raccoon actor who has appeared in over a dozen Dell'Arte Company productions, and guest artist Claudia Johani Guerrero.

Schirle, known for her own iconic detective character Scar Tissue, says of the new character, "Dolly, mistress of many faces, runs Dissguys Detective Agency. She is more of an Inspector Clouseau than a Sam Spade, more of an idealist, less of a cynic. She and her struggling sisters are like many of us who care about what's happening. But the problems seem so big, and we have to keep our lives going – it's a challenge! As always, a little humor goes a long way."

Jason Mowatt designed the revolving set, Lynnie Horrigan the costumes, and Michael Foster the lighting. The Mad River Festival house band – Marla Joy, Mike LaBolle and Tim Randles – will provide lively accompaniment to the show.

The Big Thirst is a contribution to Dell'Arte's current initiative, "The River, Our Home," which explores through a variety of community partnerships, including with the Wiyot Tribe, the ways in which we impact and are impacted by our relationship to watersheds.

Support for *The Big Thirst* comes from the National En-

THE BIG THIRST

- ❖ **When:** Thursdays through Sundays, June 16 to July 3, 8 p.m.
- ❖ **Where:** Rooney Amphitheatre, 131 H St. in Blue Lake
- ❖ **Tickets:** \$18/\$15 for students and seniors/\$10 for kids 12 and under.

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dowment For The Arts (NEA) and The James Irvine Foundation. In its first funding round of fiscal year 2016 the NEA announced awards totaling more than \$27.6 million, including an Art Works award to Dell'Arte International for the new play. In its first 50 years, the NEA awarded more than \$5 billion in grants to recipients in every state and U.S. jurisdiction, the only arts funder in the nation to do so.

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Mad River Festival 2016

COWGIRL TRICKS

❖ **What:** "America's Funniest Cowgirl" Karen Quest presents her one-woman comedy act, full of skillful trick roping, impressive whip cracking, outstanding audience rapport and improvisational kooky cowgirl shenanigans.

❖ **When:** Sunday, June 19 at 2 p.m.

❖ **Where:** Pierson Big Hammer Circus Tent

❖ **Tickets:** \$10/\$5 kids 12 & under

BIG-TOP VARIETY SHOW

❖ **What:** This rollicking variety show features magic acts, daredevil antics, feats of unbelievable strength and more!

❖ **When:** Sunday, June 26 at 2 p.m.

❖ **Where:** Pierson Big Hammer Circus Tent

❖ **Tickets:** \$10/\$5 kids 12 & under

MAD LAB

❖ **What:** A bubbling brew of experimental work by Dell'Arte alumni, faculty and staff.

❖ **When:** Wednesday, June 22 at 7:30 p.m.

❖ **Where:** Carlo Theatre

❖ **Tickets:** Pay-what-you-can

PRIZE OF HOPE

❖ **What:** Cornerstone Theatre is the recipient of the 2016 Prize of Hope, which celebrates its 26th year this summer.

❖ **When:** Saturday, June 25 at 5 p.m.

❖ **Where:** Carlo Theatre

❖ **Tickets:** \$40; includes ceremony, drinks, dinner, and *The Big Thirst* on Saturday

RED LIGHT IN BLUE LAKE

❖ **What:** Beguiling burlesque, lively comedy, and marvelous music await you along with cool potent drinks at the festival's saucy, late-night cabaret. Suitable for adults 18+ years of age.

❖ **When:** Friday, July 1 at 10:30 p.m.

❖ **Where:** Carlo Theatre

❖ **Tickets:** \$20 in advance/\$25 at the door

WHETHER WE LIKE IT OR NOT

❖ **What:** A blonde and a brunette walk into a living room with pent-up smoldering secrets and grudges, sisterly love-hate, and a gun.

❖ **When:** Thursday to Saturday, July 7 - 10 at 8 p.m. & Sunday at 4 p.m.

❖ **Where:** Carlo Theatre

❖ **Tickets:** \$12/\$10 students & seniors/\$8 kids 12 & under

HUMBOLDT FOLKLIFE FESTIVAL

❖ **What:** Dell'Arte and Humboldt Folklife Society are excited to announce the 38th Annual Humboldt Folklife Festival

❖ **When:** July 9 - 16

❖ **Where:** Various venues

❖ **Tickets:** Visit humboldtfolklife.org for dates, times, locations, and ticket information

PETER AND THE WOLF

❖ **What:** The Eureka Symphony presents *Peter & The Wolf* by Sergei Prokofiev with an instrument petting zoo.

❖ **When:** Sunday, July 17 at 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.; petting zoo at 10 a.m.

❖ **Where:** Carlo Theatre

❖ **Tickets:** FREE and only available at the door on a first-come first-served basis

Mad River Festival opens despite riparian evanescence

DELL'ARTE INTERNATIONAL

BLUE LAKE – Each year, Dell'Arte produces the annual summer Mad River Festival, lighting up its Blue Lake stages with performances from local and international artists for five weeks of non-stop entertainment.

The 2016 Mad River Festival is centered around Dell'Arte's current initiative "The River, Our Home," which explores through a variety of community partnerships, including with the Wiyot Tribe of Table Bluff, the ways in which we impact and are impacted by our relationship to watersheds. "The River, Our Home" project will also incorporate Wi-

yot language in festival signage.

This year's 26th anniversary festival welcomes a variety of performances from 'around the world and down the block'. The lineup includes original Dell'Arte Company work, a family big-top series, an experimental theatrical laboratory, a tantalizing late night cabaret, a week of local music with the Humboldt Folklife Festival, and more.

To reserve tickets for the Mad River Festival, contact the Dell'Arte Box Office at (707) 668-5663 ext. 120 or buy tickets online at dellarte.com. For outdoor shows, arrive 30 to 45 minutes early to get a good spot in the backyard and

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PINTS FOR NONPROFITS Drink up at Redwood Curtain Brewing Company, 550 South G St., Arcata, **today, June 15**, when \$1 from every beer sold all day benefits EPIC, the Environmental Protection Information Center.

THIRD FRIDAY BLUES SERIES Westhaven Center for the Arts, 501 South Westhaven Dr., presents The Jim Lahman Band at its Third Friday Blues Series on **Friday, June 17** at 7 p.m. The band features Lahman on guitar and vocals, Jenner Cohune on vocals, Ron Perry on harmonica and vocals, Jim Bent on drums and William Mitchell on bass playing blues, funk, jazz and rock. Admission is \$5 to \$10 sliding scale and refreshments are available. Call (707) 677-9493 for information.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST & FLEA MARKET The Dow's Prairie Grange monthly pancake breakfast and flea market is happening on **Saturday, June 18**. Breakfast is served from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.; large breakfasts are \$5, small are \$3. The flea market is held in the front hall until 3 p.m. As an added bonus, the McKinleyville Lions Club will again be offering a free spot vision screening from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. This screening is open to individuals of all ages and is proven to be especially helpful in the early detection of vision issues in children. The screening takes only seconds and participants will be given a detailed printout that shows the results. The spot vision screening detects myopia, hyperopia, strabismus or eye misalignment as well as other eye structure problems.

OYSTER FEST There's a little thing called Arcata Man Street's 26th annual Oyster Festival happening on the Arcata Plaza **Saturday, June 18** from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. It's (fence) free!

AT THE ALIBI Humboldt Free Radio presents Shake It Like A Caveman, a one-man garage-stomp dance party at The Alibi, 744 Ninth St. in Arcata, **Saturday, June 18** at 11 p.m. There is no cover charge for this 21 and over show.

BEBOP AT THE MUSEUM Enjoy a glass of wine and an afternoon of bebop and progressive jazz classics at the Morris Graves Museum of Art, 636 F St., Eureka, on **Sunday, June 19** from 3 to 5 p.m. Bill Allison and Friends perform for the museum's monthly Wine & Jazz program, featuring Bill Allison (vocals and trumpet), Baron Wolfe (bass) and Steve Smith (piano). Allison is known for adding original vocals on top of the classic tunes, and pays homage to jazz legend Eddie Jefferson's Vocalese lyrics on seminal instrumental solos. Wine & Jazz is a monthly program, included with regular admission to the museum: \$5/\$2 for students and seniors/free for members and children under 17.

AT THE LIGHTHOUSE GRILL Tony Roach performs at the Lighthouse Grill in Saun-

ders Shopping Center, Trinidad, **Sunday, June 19** at 5 p.m.

THE BENEFITS AND CONSEQUENCES OF HONESTY Whether honesty really is the best policy will be examined at Lifetree Café on **Sunday, June 19** at 7 p.m. The program, titled "Tell Me the Real Story: The Amazing Power of Honesty," features conversations surrounding whether telling the truth is best in all circumstances. Participants will have the opportunity to share experiences of when honesty, or a lack of it, has impacted their lives. Lifetree Café is a free conversation café with coffee and snacks, located at Campbell Creek Connexion on corner of Union and 13th streets in Arcata. (707) 672-2919

DHARMA TALK The Arcata Zen Group invites the public to a free Dharma Talk by Mark Lancaster on **Sunday, June 19** at 9:20 a.m. at the Trillium Dance Studio, 855 Eighth St. in Arcata. Meditation begins at 8 a.m. Lancaster has been practicing Soto Zen Meditation formally since 1988. He is an ordained Soto priest, registered with the Soto Zen Buddhist Association and received Dharma Transmission from Dairyu Michael Wenger at San Francisco Zen Center in 2006. His teaching focuses on the intersection of spiritual practice and daily life.

BOCCE TOURNNEY The Six Rivers Bocce Club presents the third annual Arcata Bocce Tournament as a benefit for two local youth programs: Arcata Recreation's Youth Development Scholarship Fund, which helps kids from low-income families enjoy Arcata Recreation activities, and the Greenview Inclusive Playground Project, which will be the first all-abilities playground in Humboldt County. On **Sunday, June 19**, teams will compete in a four-person, double elimination Bocce tournament at Larson Park, 901 Grant St., Arcata. Cash prizes will be awarded for the top three teams and food and beverages will be available. Space is limited, so register early. Cost is \$25 per person, \$100 per team. Check-in begins at 8:30 a.m. and the tournament starts at 9 a.m. Everyone is invited to show support for these two great causes. For more information or to register, email tournament@6riversbocce.org, contact Bob Cox at (707) 362-5564, or visit 6riversbocce.org.

COMMUNITY CHOIR Continuing the series of concerts offered by the McKinleyville Community Choir, the next performance is at the Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth Street, on **Sunday, June 19** at 3 p.m. The group will perform a capella as well as accompanied by keyboard, percussion and brass. There will be vocal solos, a duet and a smaller ensemble offering. The musical selections range from classic rock, swing, reggae and classical to spiritual. There is no admission fee. Light refreshments will be available. (707) 839-2276

DOG DAY AFTERNOON Bring your pooch to the patio of Mad River Brewing Co., 101 Taylor Way in Blue Lake, **Tuesday, June 21**. Hot dog specials from the kitchen, adoptable dogs onsite from 4 to 7 p.m., and feral jazz by Dogbone from 6 to 8:30 p.m.

❖ FILM REVIEW

'Mary Jane' more than pot porn

Lauraine Leblanc & Jack Durham
MAD RIVER UNION

EUREKA – After much fundraising, hijinks and anticipation, *Mary Jane: A Musical Potumentary* opened to a packed house at the Eureka Theatre last Friday. The film, directed by Emmy-nominated director John Howarth, is an enhanced version of *Mary Jane: The Musical*, a hit theatrical production featured in three iterations at Dell’Arte’s Mad River Festival.

Dell’Arte specializes in the theatre of place, reflecting the issues and values of the local community. This is echoed in the movie, which is really cinema of place. It’s not so much a movie about marijuana, but a movie about Humboldt County, about our towns, our neighbors and us. It’s about our local culture, which is cannabis infused, whether you like it or not.

The film consists of a series of musical numbers intercut with documentary interviews highlighting the various issues surrounding the marijuana culture – economic opportunity, environmental destruction, the impact of the underground economy and the pure wackiness of it all.

Mary Jane includes a cast of familiar faces, friends, co-workers, people you may literally know, or characters that resemble the people you know. And it’s all set in our community, which makes it fun to watch. There’s a hilarious opening scene featuring turkey bags and the Fieldbrook General Store. McKinleyville, Blue Lake, Arcata, Moonstone Beach and many other locales – some probably clandestine – are featured in the “Potumentary.”

The film, like the musical, centers on Mary Jane, the Diva of Sativa, a human embodiment of the “demon weed” that is Humboldt’s economic engine. Played by Dell’Arte’s founding Artistic Director Joan Schirle, Mary Jane as the narrator is warm, wise, a little heartbroken, and, above all, conflicted about the role she plays.

On the positive side, *Mary Jane* is all about pot – as medicine, as recreation, as spiritual guide. The movie was filmed partly on location at local marijuana grows (indoors and out) and features loving footage of beautiful, healthy marijuana plants. When projected on a giant theatre screen, the many images of glittery, sticky, crystallized buds is, for lack of a better term, pot porn.

If you view the wacky weed in a negative light, you might be tempted to dismiss Mary Jane during the first half of the movie as pro-pot propaganda, but that would be unfair. The musical potumentary must be judged in its entirety.

Mary Jane has some serious moments and doesn’t shy away from showing the negative impact of “the industry”: the danger firefighters face battling blazes at indoor grows, the environmental devastation caused by illegal stream diversions and the harm to families forced by prohibition to teach their children to lie about how their parents make a living.

As a documentary, the film alternates between seriously tackling issues and celebrating all things cannabis. Attorneys, fire chiefs, horticultural suppliers, growers,

forest rangers and journalists all have their “talking head” moments to say their piece. But the film also supplies all of the glorious wackiness of the stage musical, taking its musical numbers out to the locales only suggested in the stage version: land partners frolic in their gardens and greenhouses and Humboldt honeys sing and dance at the Arcata Plaza Farmers’ Market.

In contrast, though, the indoor scenes, especially the Emerald Ball in the big top tent, seem a little claustrophobic on film.

The performances by the Dell’Arte cast are superb; their many years of inhabiting these characters really show. It some ways, the fictional characters are more real than real; their personas and costuming are over-the-top just enough to make the “real” people in the film – even the real hula hoopers on the Plaza – seem a bit drab. The ease and polished delivery of the cast highlight how uncomfortable some of the talking heads are on camera.

The seriousness of pure documentary can at first seem a little jarring when closely edited with the colorful whimsicality of Dell’Arte’s clowning, but maybe that’s the point: pot culture is all these things – wild and dangerous, wacky and serious all at once, and these worlds will and do collide.

The songs are polished, and the film allows us to get up close to some of the performers – Tim Randles’ delivery of “Why is Whiskey Legal” comes to mind here – showing just how powerful and charismatic they are. The quality of the recording is enhanced by some very smart choices, especially when Schirle’s voice is supported by those of her land partners, played Zuzka Sabata and Leira Satlof.

The only disappointment was in the portrayal of one of the musical’s most ludicrous moments: “Grow Inside,” the star-crossed lovers’ duet between an outdoor plant (Schirle) and an indoor plant (David Powell). In the musical, the pair performed in ludicrous outfits, with the indoor plant toddling about hobbled by his pot, with a grow light swinging precariously over his head. In the film, the pair are greenscreened and CGI’ed into actual indoor and outdoor plants in a split screen performance that is just too static.

In a way, *Mary Jane: A Musical Potumentary*, is to *Mary Jane: The Musical* as indoor grown is to outdoor grown: they’re essentially the same thing, but with both positive and negative differences. The movie tamps down the wildness of the outdoor production. On the other hand, it enhances the nuances that theatrical audiences didn’t get to experience at a distance.

But will it play in Peoria? Is *Mary Jane* so entrenched in its place of origin that its jokes won’t translate in middle America? And because the film freezes *Mary Jane* in time, rather than allowing her to grow and change, will it quickly become dated? The next step for the film is to run the festival circuit and arrange distribution, so time will tell. In the meantime, if you want to arrange a screening, contact Dell’Arte. *Mary Jane: A Musical Potumentary* will make you want to puff, not pass.

CALENDAR	VENUE	WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15	THURSDAY, JUNE 16	FRIDAY, JUNE 17	SATURDAY, JUNE 18	SUNDAY, JUNE 19	MONDAY, JUNE 20	TUESDAY, JUNE 21
	Arcata Theatre Lounge 1036 G St., Arcata		5:30 p.m. NBA Playoffs	8 p.m. • Moonrise Kingdom (2012)		4 p.m. NBA Playoffs		
	Blue Lake Casino 777 Casino Way, Blue Lake		9 p.m. • Karaoke w/ KJ Leonard	9 p.m. Dr. Squid	9 p.m. Eyes Anonymous	9 p.m. • Karaoke w/ KJ Leonard		
	Cher-Ae Heights Casino 27 Scenic Dr., Trinidad	all day Free pool		9 p.m. • Moonstone Heights	9 p.m. Dr. Squid	8 p.m. • Karaoke with DJ Marv	8 p.m. 8-Ball Tourney	8 p.m. • Karaoke with DJ Marv
	Humboldt Brews 856 10th St., Arcata			9 p.m. Soul Night No. 56	9 p.m. ARDALAN	9 p.m. Jackie Greene		
	The Jam 915 H St., Arcata	6:30 p.m. • Jazz 9 p.m. • Whomp	8:30 p.m. • Dude & Bra Comedy Show	8:30 p.m. • Dude & Bra Comedy Show	9 p.m. Motherlode	9 p.m. Sundaze	9 p.m. More VibeZ	9 p.m. Comedy Night
	Libation 761 Eighth St., Arcata		7 p.m. Claire Bent					7 p.m. Buddy Reed
	Logger Bar 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake			9 p.m. Kindred Spirits	9 p.m. Money	6 p.m. Potluck	all day Free pool	all day Free ping pong
	Mad River Brewing Co. 101 Taylor Way, Blue Lake	all day Pints for Nonprofits	6 p.m. • Compost Mountain Boys	6 p.m. Cadillac Ranch	6 p.m. Opera Alley Cats			6 p.m. Dogbone
	Redwood Curtain Brewery 550 South G St., Arcata	all day Pints for Nonprofits	8 p.m. Dogbone	8 p.m. Kingfoot	8 p.m. The Yokels		7 p.m. Cornhole	
	Six Rivers Brewery 1300 Central Ave., McKinleyville				9 p.m. • The Overstimulators	8 p.m. Trivia Night	8 p.m. • Karaoke with DJ Marv	7:30 p.m. Sunny Brae Jazz

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Celebrating the Fish Fest

Janine Volkmar
MAD RIVER UNION

TRINIDAD – It’s Katherine Wayne’s 11th fish fest. “I’ve never had a bite of food, I’ve never even been inside the cafeteria,” she said.

She’s spent the last 11 festivals “locked inside the ticket booth.”

She’s the volunteer who sold you your fish tickets, so that you could eat fabulous grilled fish, beans, salad and bread while listening to great bands and drinking your libation of choice.

This year, they’ve let her out of the booth so that she could chair the entire event.



Katherine Wayne

“That’s one of the dangers of having a second glass of wine,” she joked. “They asked me to run it and I said, oh, for god’s sake, I’ll just do it!” This from a woman with serious back and neck problems. But she hasn’t let that stop her, often making phone calls while lying down in pain.

Wayne, along with Ashely Mobley – the new Trinidad Chamber of Commerce executive director – has made some good changes while keeping the traditions of the festival alive. It’s always held on Father’s Day, this Sunday, June 19 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

They’ve listened to the suggestions from past festival-goers and added a vegan and vegetarian food vendor, the Simmer Down Caribbean Café.

That’s the food truck that wowed us at the Redwood Coast Music Festival in April with its jerk tofu and generously loaded plates.

For fish lovers, the grilled salmon and cod will be the best.

“I had to eat a lot of fish and chips to see which cod I wanted,” Wayne said.

And the food lines should move much more quickly with the new system of one line.

Other features of the festival include a kids’ zone inside Trinidad Town Hall, a native cultural exhibit, the fabulous cakes and pies sold by the Trinidad Civic Club, craft booths along both sides of Trinity Street, free Crystal Springs water to all who bring their own water bottles, heavier beer cups that won’t blow away in the Trinidad wind, the Lions’ Club book sale, and a chance to visit the HSU Marine Lab and the real lighthouse on top of Trinidad Head.

The kids’ zone will include facepainting, balloons, a princess, and Ariel the Little Mermaid.

“The chamber is excited to partner with the Discovery Museum and the Morris Graves Museum of Art to bring interactive children’s activities to the kids’ zone,” Mobley said.

Bands include The Starfish Boys, Lizzie and the Moonbeams, Blue Rhythm Review and Doug Fir and The 2x4s.

Trinidad is a tiny town, so parking is always a concern. Folks can pay to park behind Murphy’s Market or park for free at the Cher-Ae Heights Casino and hop onto their free shuttle into town. Carpooling is encouraged; please, no dogs.

For more information, visit trinidadcalif.com.

Myth & magic are the fuel of love in Ferndale

FERNDALE REPERTORY THEATRE

FERNDALE – Ferndale Repertory Theatre’s latest production, *The White Snake*, is an intoxicating tale of star-crossed lovers, adapted from an ancient Chinese myth for a modern audience by Tony award winner Mary Zimmerman.

The White Snake of the title is no ordinary serpent, but a lonely supernatural being who transforms herself into a beautiful woman in order to search for love in the world of humans. In true fairy-tale style, she meets and falls in love with a poor but honest young man, Xu Xian. He returns her love and they are married, but she has concealed from him her true self. Her reptilian reality is uncovered by a vengeful monk who, appalled by what he perceived to be an immoral interspecies relationship, threatens to unmask her. Drawing on her magical powers and with the help of her confidante, Green Snake, she vows to defeat evil and preserve the purity of love.

THE WHITE SNAKE

- ❖ **Preview:** Thursday, June 16 at 8 p.m.
- ❖ **Dates:** Friday, June 17 through Sunday, July 10
- ❖ **Times:** Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m.; Sunday 2 p.m. matinées
- ❖ **Where:** Ferndale Repertory Theatre, 447 Main St., Ferndale
- ❖ **Tickets:** \$16/\$14 for students and seniors 60+/\$5 for children under 8

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“*The White Snake* is a love story, a fairy story, a visual feast, and a musical extravaganza that has something for everyone,” said Ferndale Rep’s Producing Artistic Director Leira V. Satlof. “The costumes are stunning, and the puppetry used to represent the White Snake in her real form reminds us that we don’t need high-tech wizardry to



SNAKE WOMEN Ambar Cuevas and Isabella “Izzy” Ceja set the stage along with a snake puppet by James Hildebrandt. PHOTO BY JILLIAN SORENSON AND DILLON SAVAGE

spark our imaginations.”

The Ferndale Rep production of *The White Snake* features original music by Brian Post, puppets by James Hildebrandt and scenic design by Raymond Gutierrez; Catherine L. Brown directs.



YOU OUTGHTA BE IN PICTURES Participants in the 2015 youth workshops. PHOTO BY DILLON SAVAGE

FERNDALE REPERTORY THEATRE

FERNDALE – Some days you just gotta sing and dance!

Do your kids have every Disney musical memorized? If so, there’s one place they’ll want to be this summer – Ferndale Rep’s Summer Workshops! They’ll spend two weeks mak-

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The Summer Workshop will be held at Ferndale Repertory Theatre at

447 Main St. in Ferndale with classes Monday through Friday from July 18 to 29, a preview performance on Friday, July 29 and the final performance and reception on Saturday, July 30.

The morning session runs from 9 a.m. to noon and is for ages 7 through 12. Kids aged 13 through 18 meet afternoons from 1 to 4 p.m. Mon-Fri.

Places are limited, so early enrollment is encouraged. The workshop costs \$150; scholarships are available. To register or apply for a scholarship, call (707) 786-5483 or email info@ferndalerep.org.

Registration forms must be received by Friday, July 15.

Live at the Old Steeple

PRESS RELEASE

FERNDALE – He is the son of Bliss Woodland, an Irish immigrant, and a distant relative of the Danish King of Fairy Tales – Hans Christian Andersen. His mother (Elsa Marie Andersen – her maiden name) says, “He was born with the gift of gab and he has storytelling in his blood.”

Who is this natural born storyteller? It’s Humboldt County’s Mad River Raconteur and host of KHSU’s *Whippy Dip Radio Show* – Paul Woodland.

It was 25 years ago that Paul’s mother gave him a check and her blessing to pursue a degree in storytelling from Dominican College. He completed the program in a record two years and on Father’s Day 1993, he was anointed master of the well-told tale with a PhD. in blarney - he has the certificate to prove it.



LIKE MOTHER LIKE SON Paul Woodland seeks your assistance in convincing his mother, Elsa Marie Andersen, that he is a bona fide storyteller. SUBMITTED PHOTO

Woodland’s father claims that he has been telling tales since he first opened his mouth and on Sunday, June 19 (Father’s Day) Woodland will demonstrate his considerable storytelling skills at The Old Steeple, 246 Berding St., in Ferndale, in a retrospective of his storytelling career called “Bloom Where You Are Planted.”

This is good old-fashioned yarn spinning with some tales as tall as the ancient redwoods and each embellished by Woodland’s trademark sense of humor.

His mother is still waiting for him to repay the loan and present some documentation that he is actually a working storyteller. So, the concert is being recorded and the results will be released this fall in three formats – album, CD and digital downloads.

NORCAN NEWS The Northern California Association of Nonprofits invites the public to this summer’s Financial Leadership for Boards series with Colleen Trask. This three-part series, which is geared toward nonprofit board members, is on Thursdays, June 30, July 7, and July 14 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Humboldt Area Foundation, 363 Indianola Rd., Bayside. This series will help board members become more comfortable in stewardship of nonprofits assets. They will gain confidence in their responsibilities regarding the financial health and viability of the organizations they serve. Admission is \$60/\$45 for members. The public is also invited to June’s Fortuna Board Leadership Roundtable with Bobbie Good and Byrd Lochtie on Tuesday, June 21 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Multi-Generational Center, 2280 Newburg Rd. in Fortuna. This month’s topic is “Monitoring Your Success.” Learn how to measure your organization’s success. This event will be conducted in English with simultaneous Spanish interpretation. Admission is \$15/\$10 for members; three \$5 scholarship registrations are available. (707) 442-2993, norcan@hafoundation.org, northerncalifornianonprofits.org

A magic box: an appreciation of a local venue

Lauraine Leblanc
MAD RIVER UNION
CREAMERY DISTRICT

– David Ferney walks down the center isle of the Arcata Playhouse. When he reaches the stage, he turns right, then a quick left, and disappears through a curtain.

If you’ve been to the Playhouse, in the Old Creamery building at 1251 Ninth St., you know that this, more than the lights dimming, signals that the show is about to start.

Soon, Ferney will emerge from stage right and introduce some wonderful, obscure and under-appreciated Canadian and/or award-winning act.

On a recent Monday eve-

ning, that was Petunia and the Vipers, a yodeling rockabilly-folk group that utterly mesmerized the 45 or so people in the audience.

The Playhouse could have held more people; at least two thirds of its assorted seats were empty, and not just because people were dancing in the aisles. It was a Monday night, but magic still happened in that black box.

Last March, it was Jane Siberry – the Tori Amos of Canada – playing to a small, but loving crowd. “Oh my darlings,” she crooned, taking the stage. By the end of her set, she was losing her voice, coughing. Ferney rushed up with a glass of

water, but Siberry couldn’t go on. “You’re going to have to sing it for me,” she entreated the audience, asking the us to finish her hit, “Calling All Angels.”

And we sang it to her. Even those of us who are not sure how it goes.

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On The House...

Joanie and John Frederick

'FSBO' IS RISKY BUSINESS

The paperwork is a major cause for concern for homeowners who try to sell their home with a “For Sale By Owner” sign in the front yard. Using a standard real estate sales contract can be a risky proposition because of the many new local and state governmental requirements that cover everything from disclosures to tenants’ rights.

As professional realtors, we understand the paperwork and know the pitfalls that can render a contract unenforceable. In the course of many real estate transactions, the buyers have at least some desire to back out of the contract between ratification and the closing. And they will be able to do so, if the paperwork does not meet the precise legal requirements of the local jurisdiction. The terms of the sale should be set forth in a clear and unambiguous way in order to avoid a costly dispute. Many of the homes that we list started out as “For Sale by Owner” transactions that didn’t result in a sale, and the cost of unraveling the failed contracts often exceeded the broker’s fees.

For professional advice on all aspects of buying or selling real estate, call Joanie Frederick, Broker, Azalea Realty, (707) 362-0144, or check out our website at www.azalearealty.com.

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ROOF WEEDING Volunteers are needed to help maintain the native landscaping around the Humboldt Coastal Nature Center and on the green roof on **Wednesday, June 15** from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Participants will be trained to recognize native and non-native plants, and can then come out during times that best fit their schedule. Bring gloves if you have them and come dressed for the weather. Meet at the center, 220 Stamps Lane in Manila. (707) 444-1397, info@friendsofthedunes.org

MARSH FUN Hear about "Recreation in the Arcata Marsh: Then & Now" from Arcata city naturalist Gretchen O'Brien at a free public lecture sponsored by Friends of the Arcata Marsh on **Friday, June 17** at 7:30 p.m. at the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center. O'Brien will focus on the progression of trail building over the years, culminating in a plan for a paved section of the Humboldt Bay Trail North ("rails with trails") through the Marsh. For more information or to guarantee a seat, call (707) 826-2359.

BIRDING THE MARSH Redwood Region Audubon Society sponsors a free public field trip at the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary on **Saturday, June 18**. Bring your binoculars and have a great morning birding! Meet leader Cindy Moyer in the parking lot at the end of South I Street (Klopp Lake) in Arcata at 8:30 a.m., rain or shine. Trip ends around 11 a.m.

SOHUM BIRDING Join Redwood Regional Audubon Society on **Saturday, June 18** for a bird walk at the Southern Humboldt Community Park in Garberville. All ages and experience levels are encouraged to participate in this easy, two to three-hour walk. Binoculars are not provided and dogs are not allowed. Steady rain cancels. Meet at 8 a.m. at the Tooby Park parking lot, about 100 yards past the entrance to the park. (707) 444-8001

HIKE HORSE MOUNTAIN The North Group

Sierra Club invites you to hike the Six Rivers National Forest's Horse Mountain on **Saturday, June 18**. Carpools meet at 9 a.m. at the Ray's Valley West parking area or meet at trailhead at 10 a.m. at the Horse Mountain parking area, 4.5 miles out on Titlow Hill Road from Hwy. 299 turnoff. The hike is a series of one- to three-mile rambles on former logging roads, informal paths and some cross country. This is a moderately difficult hike with a total of six miles of walking and a little elevation gain. Bring lunch and snacks, generous liquids, layered clothing, sun protection. No dogs. Rain or threat of thunder storms cancels. (707) 668-4275, mgroomster@gmail.com

KAYAKING ELK RIVER Humboldt Baykeeper hosts a free kayaking tour on Elk River, beginning with a short walk along the Hikshari Trail in Eureka, on **Saturday, June 18** from 9 a.m. to noon. The walking portion of the tour begins promptly at 9 a.m. at the foot of Truesdale Avenue, then meets the Humboldt Bay Aquatic Center's experienced guides, who will give a short safety talk and get you outfitted with a life vest and kayak. This event is for folks 12 and older. Space is limited; call (707) 825-1020 or email tours@humboldtbykeeper.org.

MARSH TOUR Friends of the Arcata Marsh sponsors a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary on **Saturday, June 18** at 2 p.m. Meet leader Betsy Elkinton at the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute walk focusing on the ecology of the Marsh. Loaner binoculars available with photo ID. (707) 826-2359

NATURE STORY TIME Join a Friends of the Dunes naturalist for Nature Story Time at the Humboldt Coastal Nature Center, 220 Stamps Lane in Manila on **Saturday, June 18** from 2 to 3 p.m. Geared for ages 3 to 6, story time focuses on local wildlife and will be followed by a simple craft project. To reserve a space, email info@friendsofthedunes.org.

Happy trails

Stacy Becker

HAMMOND VTS COORDINATOR
HAMMOND TRAIL – While most trail aficionados attended the Trail Summit on June 4, these dedicated trail stewards made a dent in overgrown brush on the Hammond Trail at their usual first-Saturday-of-the-month workday.

Coast Guard (for 30 years) and Hammond Trail Stewards (for three years) Athan and Nancy Kramer celebrated their final efforts on the Hammond before packing it up to the home they are building in Oregon. "We love the Hammond and we like to give back to the community," said Athan. "It has been good work and we've met



DUST OFF After a two-hour weedwacking session, retired Coast Guard Athan Kramer blows grass off County Parks staff Jason Ball and Trail Stewards Tom Schallert, Nancy Kramer and Carol Newman. SUBMITTED PHOTO

some great people here."

Last year, stewards gave over 300 hours of maintenance efforts to the Hammond at 11 workday events at a value of over \$8,000, according to the California rate of volunteer time.

The Hammond Trail Stewards meet the first Saturday of each month for workdays. New stewards are always welcome!

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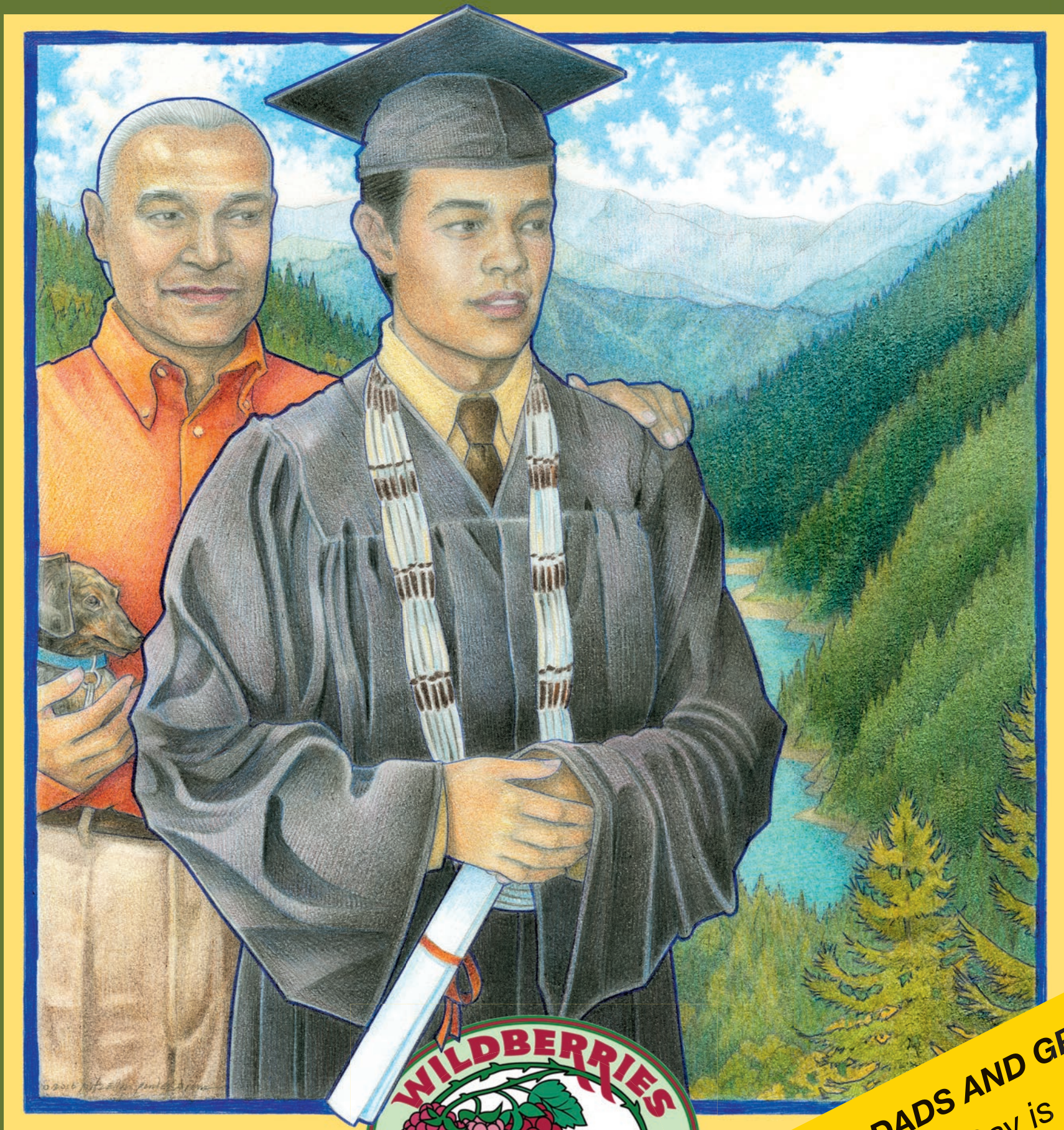


KIDS' OCEAN DAY On the morning of June 8, nearly 1,000 students took a "stand in the sand" at the Mike Thompson Wildlife Area, South Spit by forming a crab and with the message "Sea Change" as part of Kids' Ocean Day. Friends of the Dunes and the Bureau of Land Management Arcata Field Office organized the event locally, with help from the California Conservation Corps, Loleta Fire Department and the Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge. PHOTO BY J. PATRICK CUDAHY AND DAN SAYRE

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A MOMENT IN THE SUN Left, Jason Alexander pitches to the California Expos during Friday's game. Middle, Austin White dives back to first on pickoff attempt last Wednesday. Right, leapfrog was one of the fun activities at the Crabs game, which offers more than just baseball.

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Crabs face tough opponents, but maintain 3-2 record

Kevin Wyart & Erik Fraser
HUMBOLDT CRABS

ARCATA – The second week of the Humboldt Crabs season had its ups and downs, with the team splitting a midweek series against the Stockton Ports, and taking two of three from the California Expos over the weekend.

A 3-2 record over five games isn't horrible, but 4-1 would have been felt a lot better, and the chances of that slipped away on Saturday night when a 2-1 lead became a 3-2 loss in the second game against the Expos. Crabs right fielder Logan Busch had a ball pop out of his mitt in the ninth, eventually leading to two unearned runs.

But coming off a late loss to the California Expos on Saturday night, Ryan Sullivan gave the Crabs the pitching performance they needed on Sunday to get back on track

UPCOMING GAMES

- ❖ **Thursday, June 16, All Day:**
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and take the series. The righty from Fresno State shut the Expos down for five innings to help the Crabs win 5-0. He only allowed three hits and issued two walks while striking out five.

The Humboldt relief corps featuring Ryan Ralstoon, Justin Watland, and Zach Stone combined to pitch four scoreless in-

nings to preserve the shutout.

"I was getting ahead of batters consistently," Sullivan said. "I felt we needed to come out and be aggressive and ready to play after last night."

Throughout the series, the Expos proved to be a disciplined team at the plate, having drawn 10 walks in the three games, but Sullivan only saw that as extra motivation to perform better.

"I actually like it when the opposing team is patient at the plate," he said "It forces me to have to throw strikes and make better pitches."

The Crabs only led 1-0 heading into the seventh, but Michael Perri added some insurance by launching a home run over the right field fence to start the inning. Three more runs came in the eighth, as Austin White led off with a double and James

Outman powered a homer over the wall in right. Newt Johnson followed with a double of his own, then tagged up on two consecutive fly balls by Jayson Newman and Logan Denholm to score.

In Friday's series opener, an offensive explosion in the fourth inning was more than enough to support another magnificent start by Jason Alexander in a 9-2 win.

Alexander carried a perfect game into the sixth inning, before two Expos baserunners reached base, first, Tyler Turney reached on an error, than Tristen Alvarez hit a fly ball single to right field. Otherwise, he allowed nothing while striking out ten before coming out for relief pitcher Kevin Calderhead to begin the seventh.

Calderhead allowed two runs to score (one earned) in his two innings of work, **CRABS ❖ C4**

They keep things safe & fun at the Crabs games

Janine Volkmar
MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA – They are the first faces you see at the ballpark: the security crew.

These 12 affable guys have to check your bags and backpacks because it's their job.

What are they looking for?
"Mostly glass," according to Ronnie Bradbury, the head of security for the Humboldt Crabs for the last seven years. The ballpark has not allowed glass containers anywhere for the last two seasons and "a lot of people don't know about it," he said.

But they also check for outside beverages, alcohol, weapons such as knives and pepper spray, and drugs.

"It's all about keeping it family-friendly," said Bradbury. "Lots of ladies have pepper spray in their purses but there's no need for that here. It's a safe environment."

Bradbury hired "almost the entire offensive line from HSU's football team plus two high schoolers."

These friendly giants also take turns inside the stadium, keeping things safe.



CRUSTY'S GUARDS Chef Sterling, Ronnie Bradbury, Gus Johnson, Jesse DeMark, Dillon Huffman, Alex Cappa and Jared Layel.

JANINE VOLKMAR | UNION

That means everything from handling belligerent drunks to reminding little kids not to run.

"There are lots of elderly people here and little kids could come running around a corner and knock someone down," he said.

They also keep an eye out for smoking and underage drinking. "We take that very seriously," Bradbury said.

He explained that they have to watch for alcohol violations because the ballpark could lose its liquor license. "We want to make sure people can buy beer here and enjoy the game," he said.

However, Bradbury said he "could count on the fingers of two hands the number of times" he's had to throw out someone for drunkenness. "One warning and you're out."

"The beer ladies keep an eye out for someone who's had too many," he added.

The Crabs Code of Conduct on the website details the rules, for those who are interested. Sealed water bottles are allowed, but water containers have to come in empty. There is a filling station inside. Families can bring in milk cartons and soft-soft juice con-

tainers, if they are unopened.

"We're not going to take anyone's baby bottle of formula away," Bradbury said with a smile.

The crew members had some good stories to tell. When asked about the strangest item anyone had every found checking purses, they all laughed and looked towards their boss.

"Can we tell her?" asked Jared Layel, a junior at HSU who plays on the offensive line.

"Sure," Bradbury said.

Layel won the prize by answering, "A really long dildo."

They didn't confiscate the dildo but they do give game attendees a choice about knives: take it back to your car or toss it in the bucket and retrieve it after the game. That's so much better than security at the airport!

Jesse DeMark, a junior at Arcata High, was manning the knife bucket. "You're pretty much looking for drinks and glass but I have seen a big bag of weed," he said. He's happy in his job because, "I love baseball and watching the game."

Gus Johnson, a senior at HSU who also plays offense, likes working at the ballpark because "you

are getting involved in the community. You see people at the grocery store and they recognize you and ask how your season is going."

Chet Sterling, a senior line-backer, enjoys working with the kids. Watching him help corral the masses of Little Leaguers waiting their chance to run the bases, it was obvious that the feeling was mutual.

It's not all roses for the security guys, though. Sometimes they are, at least momentarily, unpopular. Bradbury told the story.

"Last season Jared was working the first base line when a little kid caught a foul ball. A board member told him to get the ball back. He got booed by the whole crowd for two minutes. I finally went and got an extra ball for him to give the kid and then he got cheered."

The Crabs are on a budget and they use the foul balls again, but that time, all was well.

So here's a tip of the baseball cap to the fellows who keep the ballpark a place where everyone has fun.

"There's a reason I've been here for seven years," Bradbury said. "I love working with these people."

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KITTENS OF THE WOODS Elm and Rowan. SUBMITTED PHOTO

A forest of felines

The clearest way into the universe is through a forest wilderness.

– John Muir

Kitten season has arrived and Companion Animal Foundation (CAF) has harbored a grove of strong, hearty kittens that we are looking to share with our community! These seven kittens were taken into CAF from a feral colony, and although they were born in the tough wilds of the Arcata Bottoms, under their various barks are hearts as soft as redwood.

Among our current 30 kittens we would like to introduce “The Kittens of the Woods”: Elm, Oaky, Rowan, Willow, Conni, Ivy and Juniper!

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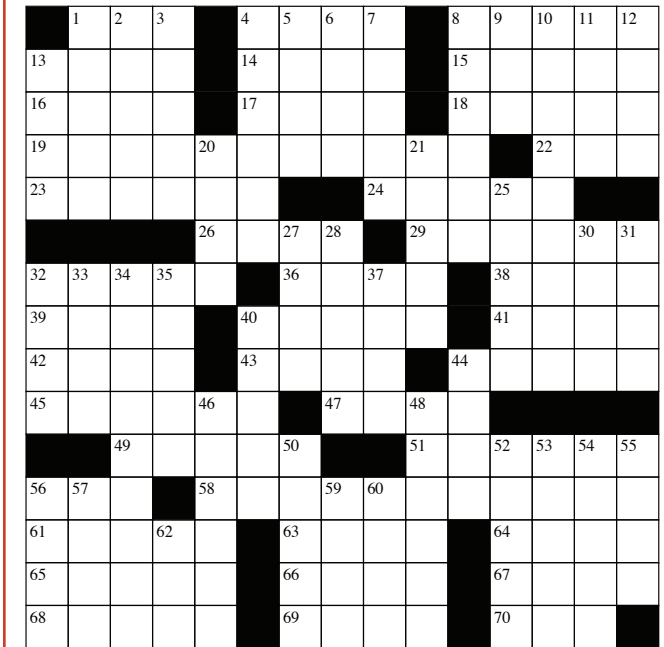
So go out on a limb, take a journey into our little jungle, and let yourself be the kind of tree-hugger that Humboldt is proudly known for. You will come out with the peace of mind that any good stroll through the woods brings, and you might even come out with a new best friend.

All of the adoptable animals at CAF have been spayed, treated for parasites and are up-to-date on their vaccines. If you want to learn more about these or our many other kittens, give us a call at (707) 826-7387 or visit the thrift store at 88 Sunny Brae Center in Arcata. You can also email cafanimals@gmail.com, visit cafanimals.org, or check out Companion Animal Foundation on Facebook.

Companion Animal Foundation’s mission is to raise the status of animals by decreasing pet overpopulation through spay/neuter assistance as well as public education. Companion Animal Foundation provides meaningful programs for both children and adults which help increase awareness of the unique relationship we share with our animal friends. Companion Animal Foundation works cooperatively with all rescue groups and the community to find good homes for adoptable animals.

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- ACROSS**
1. Long or Peebles
4. Voice range
8. Wherewithal
13. Rules
14. And others: abbr.
15. Rye grower’s disaster
16. “Stupid ___ stupid does”
17. Holy scroll: var.
18. Reason
19. Skillfully plans
22. Poet’s preposition
23. Largest in the nation
24. Bind
26. Pupils’ places
29. Lack of interest
32. Frauds
36. Yearn
38. Grande and Branco
39. Near-death state
40. Walesa and countrymen
41. High point
42. D ___ David
43. ___ instant; right away
44. Name for two Indy 500 winners
45. Highway divider
47. Hind
49. Pacific island group
51. Aplenty
56. Humbug’s forerunner
58. Primitive
61. One born between 3/21 and 4/20
63. Algerian seaport
64. Consecutive notes
65. Backslide
66. Unit of capacity
67. “Shoot!”
68. Curvy characters
69. Pegs for Tiger
70. Word with José or Juan
- DOWN**
1. Of the schnozz
2. “When ___ lad...”
3. Helpers: abbr.
4. Deceive
5. Tiny particle
6. Item for Indira
7. Lean
8. Botch
9. Before
10. Unbelievers
11. Durante’s feature
12. Ending for prank or game
13. Capital city
20. ___ out a living; gets by
21. Hauls
25. Item sold near the tinfoil
27. College in North Carolina
28. Word with heating or system
30. Abode
31. River in Europe
32. Phony deal
33. ___ down; drench
34. Halfway between bow and stern
35. Obsession
37. Hawaii’s state bird
40. Pine nut: Sp.
44. ___ Mountains
46. Entertains
48. Insurance company employees
50. Take into one’s family
52. British titles
53. Musical production
54. Provide with a new staff
55. Go over a rough draft
56. Work with hay
57. Parseghian & namesakes
59. Lake ___
60. Item on the roof
62. Suffix for Bengal or legal



Solution on page C3

Life and loss in the seaside village

The Galapagos Islands, which inspired Charles Darwin on his 19th century voyage of the Beagle and helped to develop his ideas on evolution, were the destination of Cheryl Gilmour recently.

She’ll share her findings on the natural world at the next Armchair Travel Series at Trinidad Library on Thursday, June 16 at 7 p.m. The event is free of charge. Coordinator Maria Bartlett will introduce the speaker.

Afternoon of Discovery

The Northcoast Museum Alliance – consisting of the Morris Graves Museum of Art, the Clarke Historical Museum, Phillips House, the Discovery Museum, the Trinidad Museum, and the Redwood Art Association – and the Greater Trinidad Chamber of Commerce greeted the entire student body last Thursday at Town Hall.

The students helped construct a



TRINIDAD TIDINGS
Patti Fleschner

Bee Hotel for native pollinating bees (not honeybees) with Trinidad Museum Native Plant gardeners Claire Perricelli, Jill Mefford and Dwain Mefford, while Susan Tissot and Jackie Tidwell guided students in making paper quilts. Virginia Woods of the Morris Graves and the Discovery

Museum had more art projects for every class level.

Karole Ely, in 19th century costume, of the Phillips House and the Clarke shared fascinating objects from their museums. Ashley Mobley of the Trinidad Chamber helped the students make duck ponds.

Trinidad School art instructor Thao Le Khac said that the teachers and students all benefited greatly from the art, history, and natural history event and that “my own daughter did not want to leave.” Every student took a project or idea home after the three-hour event.

Trinidad Fish Festival

The Greater Trinidad Chamber of Commerce presents its annual Fish Festival on Sunday, June 19 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The event features food, music, a kid zone, art, walking tour of Trinidad Head Lighthouse from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., vendors, Lions Club book sale, and goodwill all day. Bring everyone in your family but please leave pets at home suggests festival director coordinator Katherine Wayne, Chamber President Angie Harder and volunteer coordinator Ashley Mobley. [See story, page B2.]

Rest in Peace Darlene Marlow

Darlene Marlow, beloved Friends of the Trinidad Library leader, artist, photographer, Grand Jury participant, Scrabble and Mah Jong champion, and wife of Terry Marlow died last week.

All of Trinidad mourns her passing and sends its sympathy to her husband, brother and all of her extended family of loved ones. [See obituary, page C3.]

Email Patti at baycity@sonic.net.

Love found at the race

Redwood Pals Rescue (RPR) was a sponsor of Sparky, the Adoptable Dog, a sculpture in this year’s Kinetic Grand Championship. Sparky’s presence at the race helped to bring attention to the adoptable dogs at the shelter and at Redwood Pals Rescue.

Volunteers brought dogs to the Arcata Plaza for the start of the race. They all had little orange vests that matched Sparky’s. Some said “Adopt Me” and others said “I’m with Sparky” or “Saved by Rescue.”

There was a lot of interest in the dogs and by the end of the weekend, two had been adopted!

One was the shelter’s longest resident Cholo, who took matters into his own paws and searched out the perfect family for himself. He found 10-year-old Ruby, climbed into her lap and it was love at first sight for both of them. Before the starting whistle sounded for the race, Ruby had already informed us that we could take that adopt me sign off of Cholo; he had found his home.



DOGTOWN
Mara Segal



at the race; we hope that they will remember us when they are ready for a new canine family member!

Every dog from the shelter that has had the chance to go on an outing – to the Kinetics or around town – has surprised people with their good behavior. It’s amazing what getting out of the kennel for awhile can do for these dogs.

That is also why we take in rescue dogs for fostering; we find that many undesirable behaviors melt away once they are away from the stress of the shelter.

I have a foster dog at my feet while I write this that did nothing but sit outside and growl while at the shelter. It turned out that her former owner kicked her and she had no way of knowing what other people had in mind for her. At our house, she is happy all the time and we look forward to helping her find that perfect family of her own.

Redwood Pals Rescue is always looking for people interested in fostering a dog. Some of our dogs need medical fosters for the duration of their recovery from heartworm treatment or orthopedic injury; others just need that chance to shine in a better environment. Fostering saves lives. Without that service that Redwood Pals provides, the shelter would suffer from overcrowding with no options for the dogs. Please contact us at redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com if you would like to find out more.

The shelter has a good selection of dogs for the start of summer, including these two big buddies Kuma and Allie, who are among our longer residents. These two both love to play and chase balls in the yard.

Allie went to the race and impressed people with her good looks and friendliness. Kuma’s sweet face has gotten many compliments at the shelter but he hasn’t been discovered yet by the right family. We hope their turns are coming soon.

Kuma and Allie are at the Humboldt County Animal Shelter at 980 Lycoming Ave. in McKinleyville. More information is available at (707) 840-9132.

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Cuddle Cot to help grieving families

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ARCATA – The Birth Center at Mad River Community Hospital (MRCH) received Humboldt County’s first Cuddle Cot, donated by Rose and Bill Becker. Rose Becker worked with the Stories of Babies Born Still (SOBBS) organization and the U.S. Cuddle Cot Campaign Initiative to start the Shelby Cuddle Cot Fund. Shelby is Rose and Bill’s daughter who was born still last November.

The Cuddle Cot is a crib cooling device to provide families who experience a stillbirth the opportunity to spend more time with their baby.

After only four days of starting the campaign, the Shelby Cuddle Cot Fund received 55 donations from the community to purchase the Cuddle Cot. It is a small cooling device that connects to a cooling pad which fits in a Moses Basket (also donated by the Beckers) that can be used to discretely keep the baby cool and at the mother’s bedside following a stillbirth or other infant loss.

The Cuddle Cot provides an opportunity for families to spend time with their



CUDDLE COT Pamela Floyd (QAPI/RM/MRCH Plant Ops manager), Steve Engle (MRCH chief operating officer), Bill Becker, Rose Becker, Renee Rosenberg (MRCH nurse), Sandra Jones (MRCH Birth Center manager), Veena Vangari (MRCH nurse executive), Connie Bauman (doula), and Laurie Urich (Rose Becker’s mother). SUBMITTED PHOTO

baby. “It normalizes the experience and that it’s okay to spend time with the baby,” says Bill Becker.

“Our goal is a safe space for families and time for the beginning grieving process,” said Sandra Jones, manager at the Birth Center. “Now the amount of time can really be governed by the desires of the family and not some other external limitation.”

Rose Becker learned about the Cuddle Cot after researching stillbirths and trying to find a support group for babies born

still. At a retreat for women who have experienced stillbirths, she listened to other women’s experiences about the Cuddle Cot and how it aided in their grieving period for their child.

In the United States, 1 in 160 pregnancies, or 26,000 pregnancies per year, end in stillbirth in the United States. Cuddle Cots are widely used in European countries and Australia, but not as much in the United States.

Currently, there are 203 Cuddle Cots in the United States.

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LEGAL NOTICES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
16-00343
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **HUMBOLDT COUNTY CANNABIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**
417 2ND ST. #201 EUREKA, CA 95501 PO BOX 4553 ARCATA, CA 95518
CHRISTINA DEGIOVANNI
100 WAGONJACK LN ARCATA, CA 95521 ALLISON EDRINGTON 155 HANSEN DR. FORTUNA, CA 95540 DANIELLE BURKHART 121 WEST CEDAR ST. EUREKA, CA 95501
This business is conducted by: A General Partnership
S/CHRISTINA DEGIOVANNI, FOUNDER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on MAY 19, 2016
KELLY E. SANDERS LH DEPUTY CLERK
6/15, 6/16, 6/15

(are) doing business as: **STEVE TAX 750 BEVERLY WAY ARCATA, CA 95521 EARLE S. BOWSER 750 BEVERLY WAY ARCATA, CA 95521**
This business is conducted by: An Individual
S/EARLE STEPHEN BOWSER, OWNER
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on MAY 18, 2016
KELLY E. SANDERS AA DEPUTY CLERK
6/15, 6/16, 6/15, 6/22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
16-00349
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **LIBATION 761 8TH STREET, SUITE D ARCATA, CA 95521 EDWARD A. BERNARD ARCATA WINE COMPANY, INC 2682170 3232 ALLIANCE ROAD ARCATA, CA 95521**
This business is conducted by: A Corporation
S/EDWARD A. BERNARD, PRESIDENT
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on MAY 23, 2016
KELLY E. SANDERS LH DEPUTY CLERK
6/15, 6/16, 6/22, 6/29

ed in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Date: July 1, 2016
Time: 1:45 p.m.
Dept.: 8

3. A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union.
Date: MAY 11, 2016
DALE A. REINHOLTSEN Judge of the Superior Court
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Date: MAY 11, 2016
DALE A. REINHOLTSEN Judge of the Superior Court
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estate of the decedent.
The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
Date: June 30, 2016
Time: 2:00 PM
Dept.: 8
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) **60 days** from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. **Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.**
You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal *Request for Special Notice* (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A *Request for Special Notice* form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for the petitioner: JASON J. EADS 381 BAYSIDE RD., STE. A ARCATA, CA 95521 (707) 822-1771 6/8, 6/15, 6/22

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A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
Date: July 7, 2016
Time: 2:00 PM
Dept.: 8
Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal *Request for Special Notice* (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A *Request for Special Notice* form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for the petitioner: RYAN HURLEY GALE & NIELSEN 2850 HARRIS STREET EUREKA, CA 95503 (707) 269-0167 6/15, 6/22, 6/29

of additional items.
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Sally Lindke
Clerk of the Board 6/8, 6/15

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property under the California Self-Service Storage Facility Act (Bus. Prop. Code Ss 21700-21716). The undersigned will sell at public sale by competitive bidding on the **22nd day of June, 2016 at 10 a.m.** on the premises where said property has been stored and which is currently located at Arcata Bay Self Storage, 250 E Street Arcata, CA. Most storage units contain miscellaneous personal property, clothing, furnishings and household goods. In addition, the following
• Richard Wood - books, book shelf, animal trap, guitar cases, crabbing gear, skate board, roller blades
• Anthony Brunkhorst - guitar, mattress, box spring
• Daejah Greene - board games, hand bag, mattresses
• Antonio Torres - vacuum, cds, sewing machine, boxes, chairs, mattress, box spring, desk, cleaning supplies
The Auctioneer will be Kerry Rasmussen, Bond #7900364465, phone #707-822-0331. Purchases must be paid for at the time of the sale in cash only. All purchased items sold "as is" and must be removed at the time of sale. Sale is subject to cancellation in the settlement between owner and obligated party, auctioneer, and Arcata Bay Self Storage. 6/8, 6/15

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
16-00323
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **VYANET SECURITY 410 SW COLUMBIA ST., STE. 120 BEND, OR 97702 VYANET OPERATING GROUP, INC. OR16954117 CA-3215641 410 SW COLUMBIA ST., STE. 120 BEND, OR 97702**
This business is conducted by: A Corporation
S/TRACY JONES, PRESIDENT
This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on MAY 10, 2016
KELLY E. SANDERS AA DEPUTY CLERK
6/25, 6/1, 6/8, 6/15

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
JONATHON M. H. JAPPART SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT CASE NO. CV160394
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. Petitioner JONATHON M.H. JAPPART has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: JONATHON MICHAEL HOWARD JAPPART to Proposed name JONATHON HOWARD CLOWER.
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interest-

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
MORGAN DUNCAN SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT CASE NO. CV160389
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
1. Petitioner MORGAN DUNCAN has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name: MORGAN CLARA DUNCAN to Proposed name MORGAN CLARA KELLEY.
2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF LOIS J. BYRNS CASE NO.: PR160159
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: LOIS J. BYRNS, LOIS AISPURO, LOIS BYRNS AISPURO, LOIS JEAN BYRNS, LOIS BYRNS, LOIS J. PIALORSI, LOIS JEAN PIALORSI, and LOIS PIALORSI
A *Petition for Probate* has been filed by: RICHARD ALLEN BYRNS in the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt.
The Petition for Probate requests that: RICHARD ALLEN BYRNS be appointed as personal representative to administer the

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF DONA L. LEONARD, AKA DONA LOUISE WRIGHT, AKA DONA L. POMEROY CASE NO.: PR160178
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: DONA L. LEONARD, AKA DONA LOUISE WRIGHT, AKA DONA L. POMEROY
A *Petition for Probate* has been filed by: LILLIAN "DOTTIE" REYNOLDS AND DONAR. POMEROY in the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt.
The Petition for Probate requests that: LILLIAN "DOTTIE" REYNOLDS AND DONAR. POMEROY be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: DONA L. LEONARD, AKA DONA LOUISE WRIGHT, AKA DONA L. POMEROY
A *Petition for Probate* has been filed by: LILLIAN "DOTTIE" REYNOLDS AND DONAR. POMEROY in the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt.
The Petition for Probate requests that: LILLIAN "DOTTIE" REYNOLDS AND DONAR. POMEROY be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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A *Petition for Probate* has been filed by: LILLIAN "DOTTIE" REYNOLDS AND DONAR. POMEROY in the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt.
The Petition for Probate requests that: LILLIAN "DOTTIE" REYNOLDS AND DONAR. POMEROY be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF PRELIMINARY BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2016/2017 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Preliminary Budget of the Arcata Fire Protection District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016 has been adopted by the Arcata Fire Protection Board of Directors and is available at the following time and place for inspection:
Arcata Fire Headquarters Office
Temporary location: 905 6th Street Arcata, CA 95521
Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
That on August 16, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. at the Arcata Station, 631 9th Street, Arcata, CA, the Board of Directors will meet for the purpose of fixing the final budget, and that any taxpayer may appear at said time and place and be heard regarding the increase, decrease, or omission of any item on the budget, or for the inclusion

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The Petition for Probate requests that: LILLIAN "DOTTIE" REYNOLDS AND DONAR. POMEROY be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

Crabs | West Coast Showcase Tournament this week

❖ **FROM B1**
with two hits, a strikeout and no walks. Riley Sweeney closed things out with a perfect ninth inning, picking up two strikeouts.

"It's great being able to have a pitcher like [Alexander] go out and dominate," Newman said. "It allows you to focus on what you need to do as a hitter."

The Crabs would score their first run with two out in the third inning on a James Outman RBI single that drove in Austin White. They then sent 11 men to the plate in the fourth inning, six of whom scored.

Newman led off the inning with a walk, followed by another walk to Jacob Thurber after a Michael Perri ground-out. Busch hit a ball to deep left center field for a triple that sent in both Newman and Thurber to make the score 3-0 at that point. Brian Pozos proceeded to single in Busch, before an Austin White triple knocked him in.

With the score 5-0, the Crabs weren't done, as Outman roped a single to score White and was brought in himself on an Newman RBI single by Newman to put the game away at 7-0. Humboldt added two more in the fifth on a two RBI single by Austin White for a 9-0 lead.

"We were able to see what the pitcher was doing early on," Newman said. "We were able to quickly figure out what to hit and made solid contact."

Earlier in the week, the Stockton Ports announced their presence early on Tuesday, jumping out to 5-0 lead in the second inning. The Crabs committed three errors in the game, two of them in the second, leading to three Ports runs. After Branson Umbarger and Austin Garcia led off

the inning with consecutive singles for the Ports, Mark Johnson bunted down the third base line and Matthew Hernandez threw the ball away.

With Umbarger coming home, Newman threw to the plate to try and get him, but the throw got away from the catcher Thurber, allowing the second runner Garcia to come in as well. The hole proved to be too deep for the Crabs and they never recovered in a 5-2 loss.



Junior Davis

Relief pitcher Justin Watland gave up one run on two hits with a walk and a strikeout, while Austin Ragsdale and Jacob Gomez each threw a scoreless inning while striking out two batters.

"I did a really good job of getting ahead of hitters and keeping them off balance," Davis, who had about 30 members of his family and friends in attendance said after the game. "My fastball was really effective and I also liked how I felt throwing my slider."

With Davis being so close to home on his birthday, he says he is looking forward to celebrating with friends and family in his hometown.

"I'm heading up with family tonight and am going to enjoy the off day there tomorrow," Davis said. "I've been splitting time between [Arcata] and [Hoopa]."

The Crabs are now set to host the West Coast Showcase Tournament this weekend, with games scheduled Thursday through Sunday. Coming to town are the Seattle Studs, San Diego Wave and Neptune Beach Pearl. The Crabs and Studs open the tournament Thursday at 7 p.m.

Humboldt Honey Wine needs your help now

If you've ever tasted the samples of Humboldt Honey Wine at the farmers' market, you've met the wonderful couple who started their dream business last spring.

Paul and Heidi Leslie had success from their very first market appearance (*Union*, April 15, 2015) when folks just couldn't get enough of that wonderful stuff: mead.

Paul is a beekeeper, and their wine making project is a joint venture with Heidi doing everything but "touching the bees."

As spring moved into summer, they developed more blends and special flavors, including Blackberry-Vanilla, Watermelon, and a feisty Pear Wine with ginger and habañero flavors. Their labels got even more creative, building on the beautiful art deco woman and always including the slogan, "Let It Be Mead." Their wines often sold out.

Now they need your help.

On June 3, the building they shared with another business and some artists' studios on Fourth Street in Eureka burnt down. They lost everything. "Our total inventory left amounts to three T-shirts," Paul said.

And, because they had started small, their insurance coverage was small. Their rapid success and expansion required new equipment but they hadn't updated their insurance to match. "We found out we were quite underinsured," Paul said. The insurance won't pay until the cause of the fire is determined, and that may take some time.

In addition, Paul explained, winery licensing is linked to location, so until they find a new home, they can't start making wine.

"Humboldt Beer Works has been really helpful," he said. "When we started we got our equipment from them so we have deep ties with that company."

So the Leslies have set up a GoFundMe page. "It will allow us to secure a location until the insurance company replaces our equipment." Visit gofundme.com/27vwx-khnu to add your support.



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